

Florida International University  
CWR 3201 Fluid Mechanics, Fall 2024  
Mid-term # 2

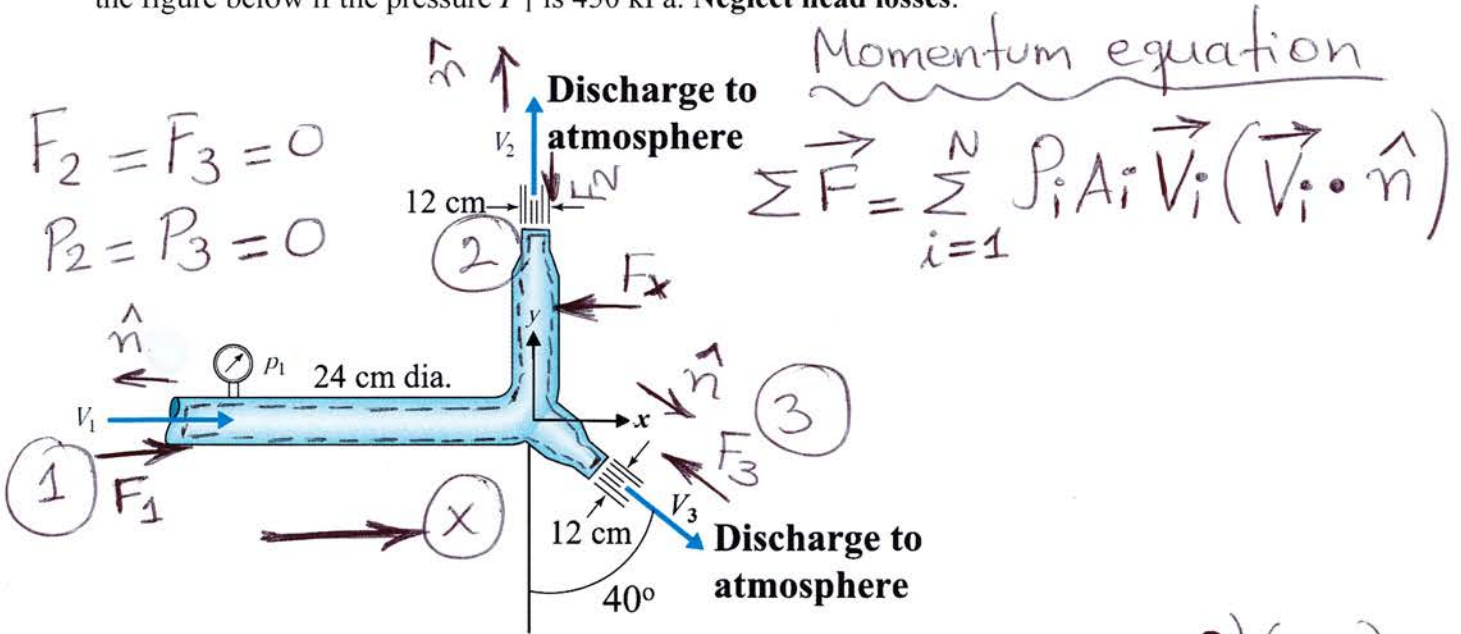
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✓ You will have 1 h 15 minutes to complete the exam. The exam is closed book and closed notes.

Only one page (front and back) with handwritten equations are allowed

1. (35 points) Determine the force in the "x direction ( $F_x$ ) of the water on the horizontal bifurcation shown in the figure below if the pressure  $P_1$  is 450 kPa. Neglect head losses.



$F_2 = F_3 = 0$   
 $P_2 = P_3 = 0$

Momentum equation

$$\sum \vec{F} = \sum_{i=1}^N P_i A_i \vec{V}_i (\vec{V}_i \cdot \hat{n})$$

$$\sum F_x = P_1 A_1 (+V_1)(-V_1) + P_3 A_3 (+V_3 \sin 40^\circ)(V_3)$$

$$F_1 - F_x = -\rho A_1 V_1^2 + \rho A_3 V_3^2 \sin 40^\circ \dots \textcircled{1}$$

\* Bernoulli between ① and ②

$$\frac{P_1}{\rho} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{P_2}{\rho} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 \quad (z_1 = z_2)$$

$$\frac{450,000}{9800} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = \frac{V_2^2}{2g} \dots \textcircled{2}$$

\* Bernoulli between ② and ③

$$\frac{P_2}{\rho} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 = \frac{P_3}{\rho} + \frac{V_3^2}{2g} + z_3 \quad (z_2 = z_3)$$

$$V_2 = V_3 \dots \textcircled{3}$$

\* Continuity  $Q_1 = Q_2 + Q_3$   
Because  $A_2 = A_3$  and  $V_2 = V_3$ ,  $Q_2 = Q_3$

•••  $Q_1 = 2Q_2$   
 $V_1 \frac{\pi \times 0.24^2}{4} = 2V_2 \frac{\pi \times 0.12^2}{4}$

$V_1 = \frac{V_2}{2}$

In (2)  $45.92 + \frac{V_1^2}{19.6} = \frac{V_2^2}{19.6}$

$$45.92(19.6) = 4V_1^2 - V_1^2$$

$V_1 = 17.32 \text{ m/s}, V_2 = 34.64 \text{ m/s}$

In (1)  $(F_1 = A_1 P_1)$

$$450,000 \left( \frac{\pi \times 0.24^2}{4} \right) - F_x = -1000 \left( \frac{\pi \times 0.24^2}{4} \right) \times 17.32^2$$

$$+ 1000 \left( \frac{\pi \times 0.12^2}{4} \right) (34.64^2) \sin 40^\circ$$

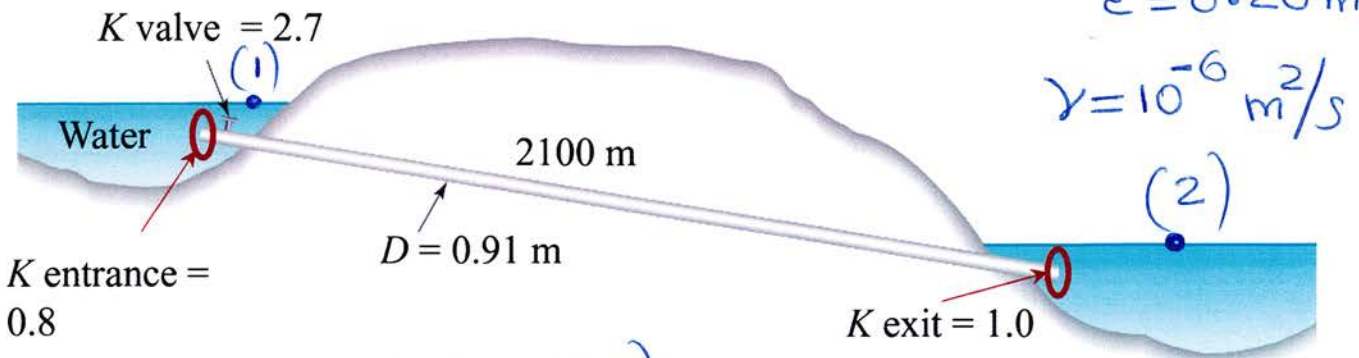
$$20,357.5 - F_x = -13,570.9 + 8723.2$$

$F_x = 25,205 \text{ N}$

  
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2. (30 points) For the pipeline below, the reservoirs elevation difference is 30 m and the pipe diameter is 0.91 m. Determine the flow rate through the pipe. The pipeline is of cast iron material  $\epsilon = 0.26 \text{ mm}$



$$\Delta z = 30 \text{ m} \quad (z_1 - z_2)$$

$$D = 0.91 \text{ m}$$

$$Q = ?$$

$$\Sigma K = 2.7 + 1 + 0.8 = 4.5$$

\* Energy equation between (1) and (2)

$$\frac{P_1}{\rho} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{P_2}{\rho} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 + \left( \frac{fL}{D} + \Sigma K \right) \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

$$30 = \left( \frac{f \times 2100}{0.91} + 4.5 \right) \frac{V^2}{19.6} \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$\frac{\epsilon}{D} = \frac{0.26/1000}{0.91} = 0.00029$$

For completely turbulent regime,  $f = 0.015$  (Moody diagram) for this pipe  
 We will use this "f" as our initial guess for the value of "f".

f	V (m/s) (from Eq. ①)	Re (Reynolds number)	f (from Moody chart)
0.015	3.88	3,530,800	0.0152 close enough to 0.015

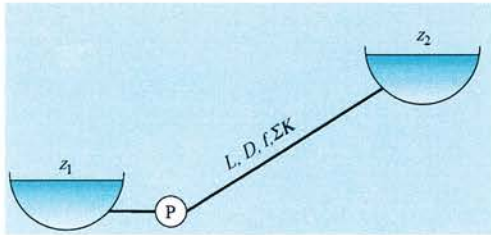
$$\circ \circ \quad f = 0.015$$

$$V = 3.88 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Q = A \cdot V = \pi \times \frac{0.91^2}{4} \times 3.88$$

$$Q = 2.52 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

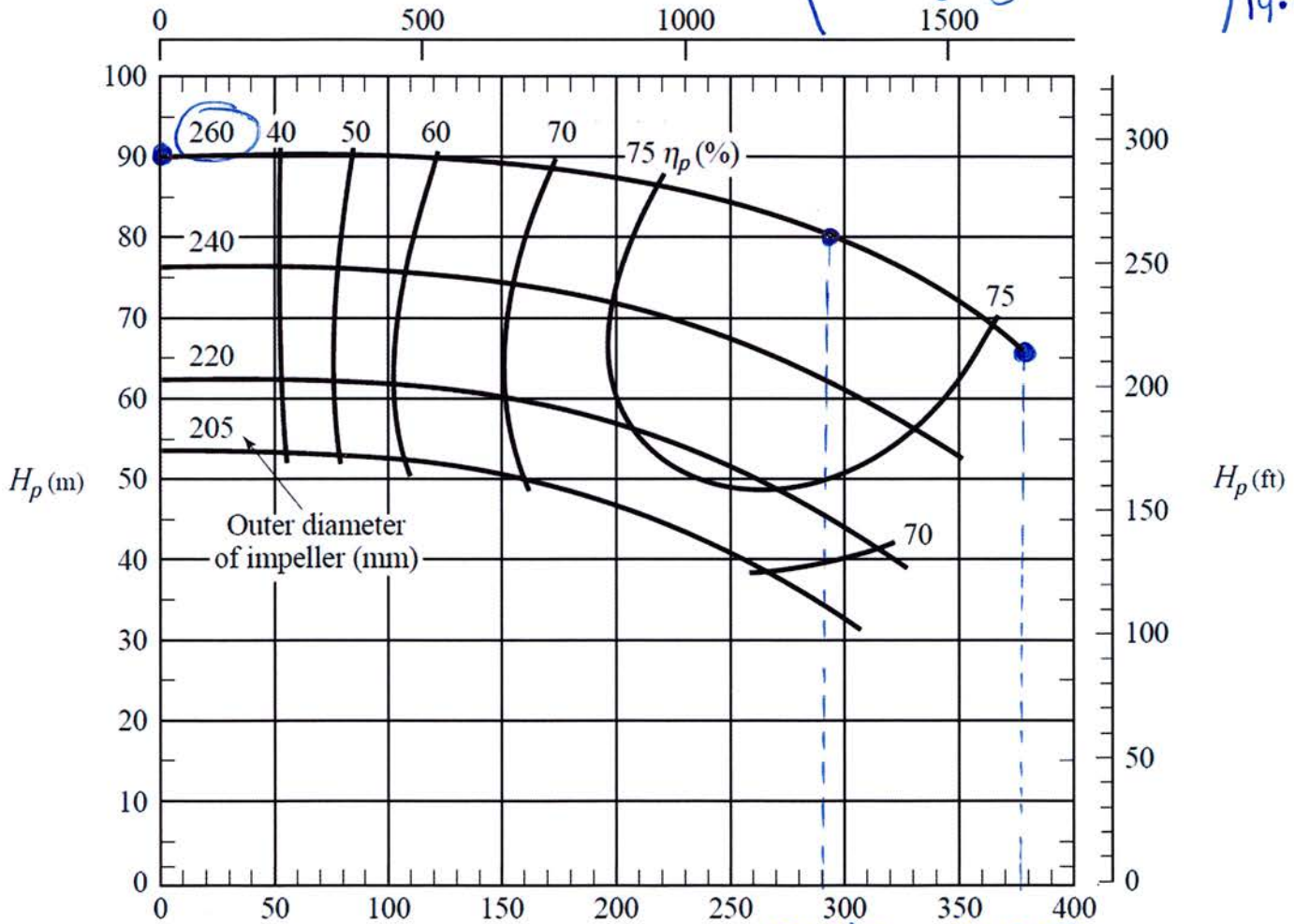
3. (35 points) The 260-mm-outer impeller diameter pump represented in the figure below is used to move water in a piping system. The pipeline has the following characteristics:  $D = 300$  mm,  $L = 350$  m,  $f = 0.02$ ,  $\Sigma K = 4.2$ . Determine the actual flow discharge ( $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ ) and pump head (m) when **four pumps in series** (260 mm-impeller diameter pump) are used. The elevation difference between the reservoirs is 275 m ( $z_2 - z_1 = 275$  m).



System curve

$$H_p = z_2 - z_1 + \left( \frac{fL}{D} + \Sigma K \right) \frac{Q^2}{2gA^2}$$

$$H_p = 275 + \left( \frac{0.02 \times 350}{0.3} + 4.2 \right) \frac{Q^2}{19.6 \left( \frac{\pi \times 0.3^2}{4} \right)^2}$$



$H_p = 275 + 281.1 Q^2$  ← system curve  
 $Q$  is in  $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$

\* Finding pump curve

$H_p$ (m)	$Q$ ( $\text{m}^3/\text{h}$ )	$Q$ ( $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ )
90	0	0
80	295	0.082
66	380	0.1055

$H_p = aQ^2 + bQ + C$   
 $Q$  needs to be in  $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$



First point:  $90 = a(0) + b(0) + c$

$$\boxed{c = 90}$$

Second point:  $80 = a(0.082)^2 + b(0.082) + 90 \dots \textcircled{1}$

$66 = a(0.1055)^2 + b(0.1055) + 90 \dots \textcircled{2}$

In  $\textcircled{1}$   $\frac{-10}{0.082^2} = a + 12.20b$

$$-1487.2 = a + 12.20b \dots \textcircled{3}$$

In  $\textcircled{2}$   $\frac{-24}{0.1055^2} = a + 9.48b$

$$-2156.3 = a + 9.48b \dots \textcircled{4}$$

$\textcircled{3} - \textcircled{4}$   $669.1 = 2.72b \rightarrow \boxed{b = 246.0}$

In  $\textcircled{4}$   $\boxed{a = -4,488.3}$

Thus, the pump curve is  $H_p = -4,488.3 Q^2 + 246Q + 90$

For four pumps in series

$$275 + 281.1 Q^2 = 4(-4,488.3 Q^2 + 246Q + 90)$$

$$18,234.3 Q^2 - 984Q - 85 = 0$$

$Q_1 = 0.100 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$

$Q_2 = -0.046 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  (Not possible)

Flow discharge  $Q = 0.100 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} = \underline{\underline{360 \text{ m}^3/\text{h}}}$

$H_p = 275 + 281.1 (0.1)^2$

$\boxed{H_p = 277.81 \text{ m}}$