

# ME 321: Fluid Mechanics-I

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**Fluid Dynamics: Applications of Bernoulli Equation**

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# Problem # 1

Oil (SG = 0.88) flows through the horizontal pipe under a pressure of 400 kPa and at a velocity of 2.5 m/s at A. Determine the pressure in the pipe B if the pressure at C is 150 kPa. Neglect any elevation difference.

Solution:

From continuity equation, (steady flow)

$$\cancel{\frac{d}{dt}} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{CS} \rho (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = 0$$

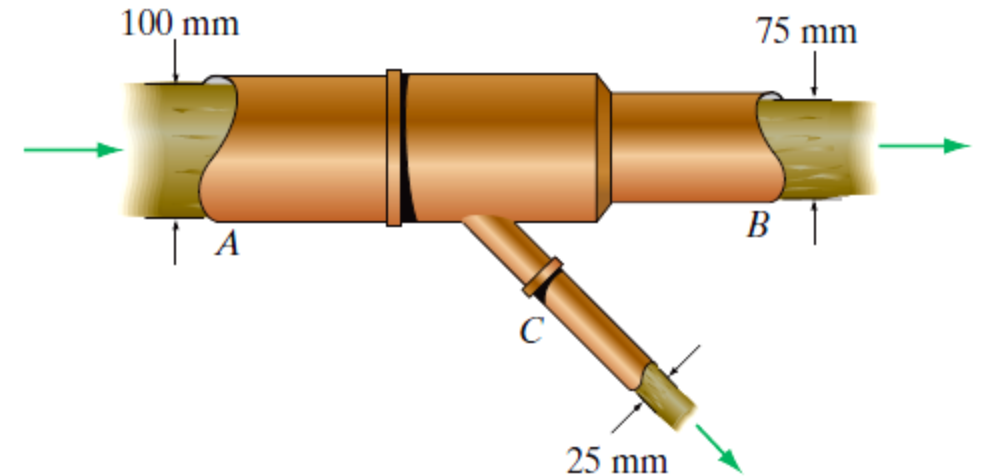
$$\Rightarrow -\rho A_A V_A + \rho A_B V_B + \rho A_C V_C = 0$$

$$\boxed{\Rightarrow A_A V_A = A_B V_B + A_C V_C} \quad \text{(A)}$$

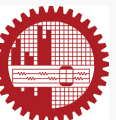
$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} d_A^2 V_A = \frac{\pi}{4} d_B^2 V_B + \frac{\pi}{4} d_C^2 V_C$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} (0.1)^2 (2.5) = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.075)^2 V_B + \frac{\pi}{4} (0.025)^2 V_C$$

$$\boxed{\Rightarrow 9V_B + V_C = 40} \quad (i)$$



Not necessarily you have to start from the first relation, but you have to realize that **Eq. (A)** is the result of the integral form of continuity equation for steady inviscid incompressible flows.



# Problem # 1

Apply Bernoulli equation between point A and C

$$\frac{p_A}{\gamma} + \frac{V_A^2}{2g} + z_A = \frac{p_C}{\gamma} + \frac{V_C^2}{2g} + z_C$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{400 \times 10^3}{(880 \times 9.81)} + \frac{(2.5)^2}{2g} + \cancel{z_A} = \frac{150 \times 10^3}{(880 \times 9.81)} + \frac{V_C^2}{2g} + \cancel{z_C}$$

$$\Rightarrow V_C = 23.97 \text{ m/s}$$

Now use Eq. (i)

$$9V_B + V_C = 40 \quad \rightarrow \quad V_B = 1.78 \text{ m/s}$$

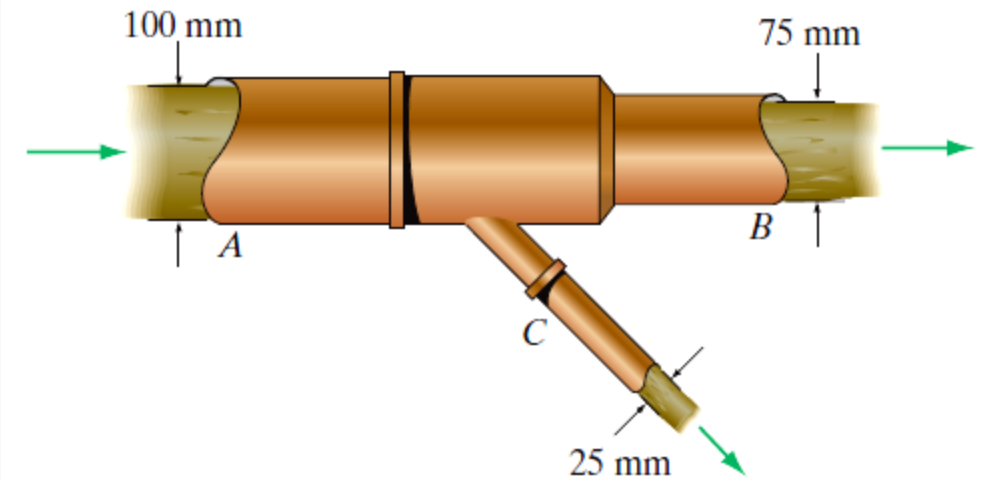
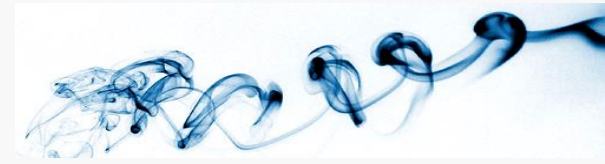
Again, apply Bernoulli equation between point A and B

$$\frac{p_A}{\gamma} + \frac{V_A^2}{2g} + z_A = \frac{p_B}{\gamma} + \frac{V_B^2}{2g} + z_B$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{400 \times 10^3}{(880 \times 9.81)} + \frac{(2.5)^2}{2g} + \cancel{z_A} = \frac{p_B}{(880 \times 9.81)} + \frac{(1.78)^2}{2g} + \cancel{z_C}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_B = 401.4 \text{ kPa}$$

**Ans.**



**ratio of pressure to velocity heads??**



## Problem # 2

Determine the velocity of the flow out of the vertical pipes at A and B, if water flows into Tee at C at 8 m/s and under a pressure of 40 kPa.

Solution:

From continuity equation, (steady flow)

$$\cancel{\frac{\partial}{\partial t}} \int_{CV} \rho dV + \int_{CS} \rho (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{CS} \rho (\vec{V} \cdot \vec{n}) dA = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -\rho A_C V_C + \rho A_A V_A + \rho A_B V_B = 0$$

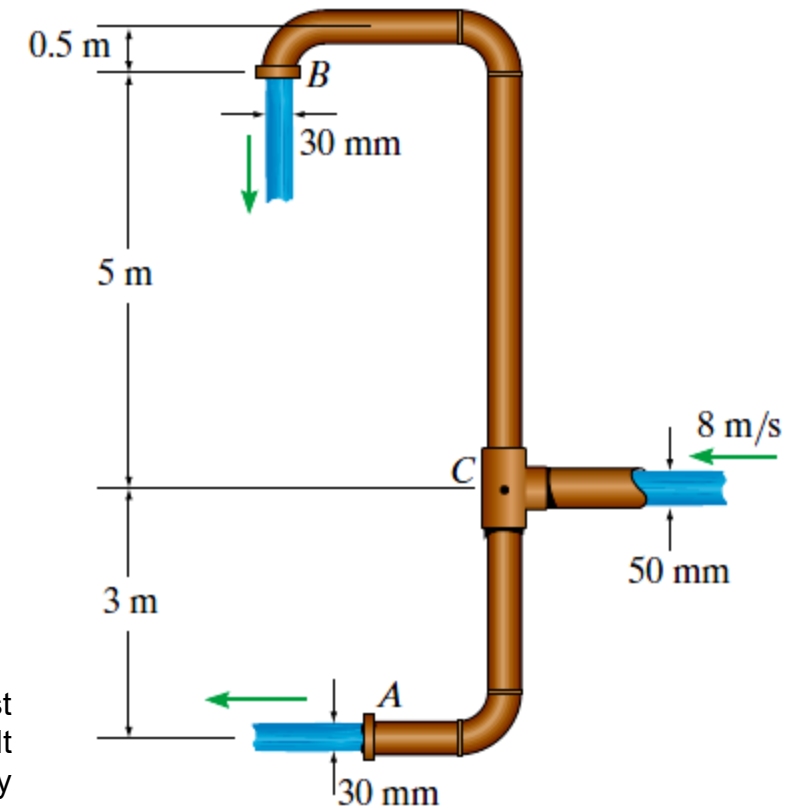
$$\Rightarrow A_C V_C = A_A V_A + A_B V_B$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} d_C^2 V_C = \frac{\pi}{4} d_A^2 V_A + \frac{\pi}{4} d_B^2 V_B$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} (0.05)^2 (8) = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.03)^2 V_A + \frac{\pi}{4} (0.03)^2 V_B$$

$$\Rightarrow V_A + V_B = 22.22 \quad (i)$$

Not necessarily you have to start from the first relation but you have to realize that **Eq** is the result of the integral form of continuity equation for steady incompressible flows.



## Problem # 2

Apply Bernoulli equation between point C and A

$$\frac{p_C}{\gamma} + \frac{V_C^2}{2g} + z_C = \frac{p_A}{\gamma} + \frac{V_A^2}{2g} + z_A$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{40 \times 10^3}{(1000 \times 9.81)} + \frac{(8)^2}{2g} + 0 = \frac{0}{(1000 \times 9.81)} + \frac{V_A^2}{2g} - 3 \quad ; p_A = p_B = 0 \text{ (open discharge)}$$

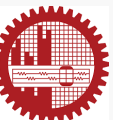
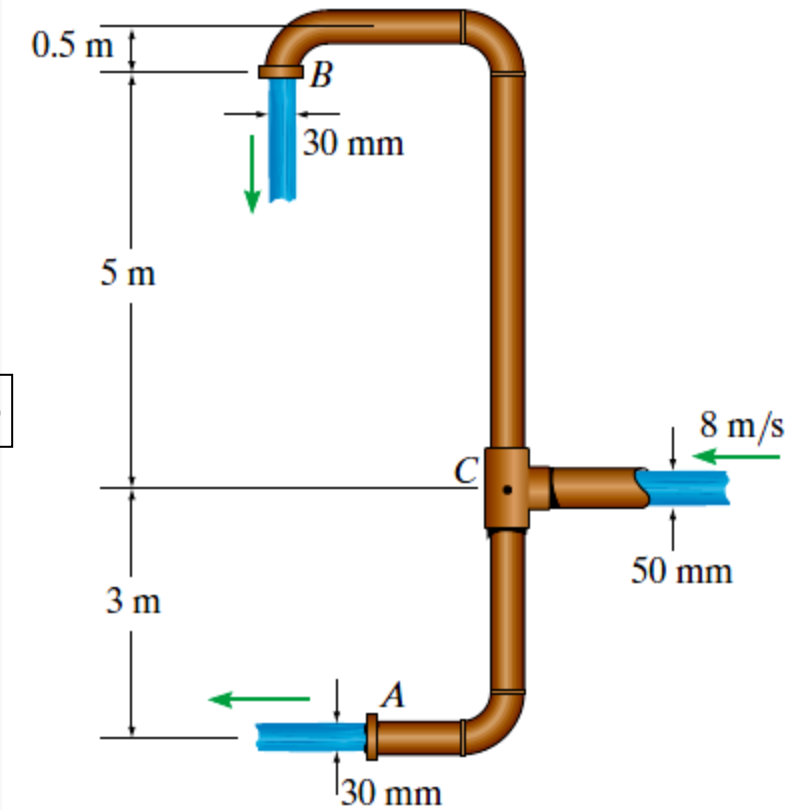
$$\Rightarrow V_A = 14.24 \text{ m/s}$$

**Ans.**

Now use Eq. (i)

$$V_A + V_B = 22.22 \quad \rightarrow \quad V_B = 7.98 \text{ m/s}$$

**Ans.**



## Problem # 3

Determine the difference in height  $h$  of the water column in the manometer if the flow of oil through the pipe is  $0.04 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ . Take  $\rho_{\text{oil}} = 875 \text{ kg/m}^3$

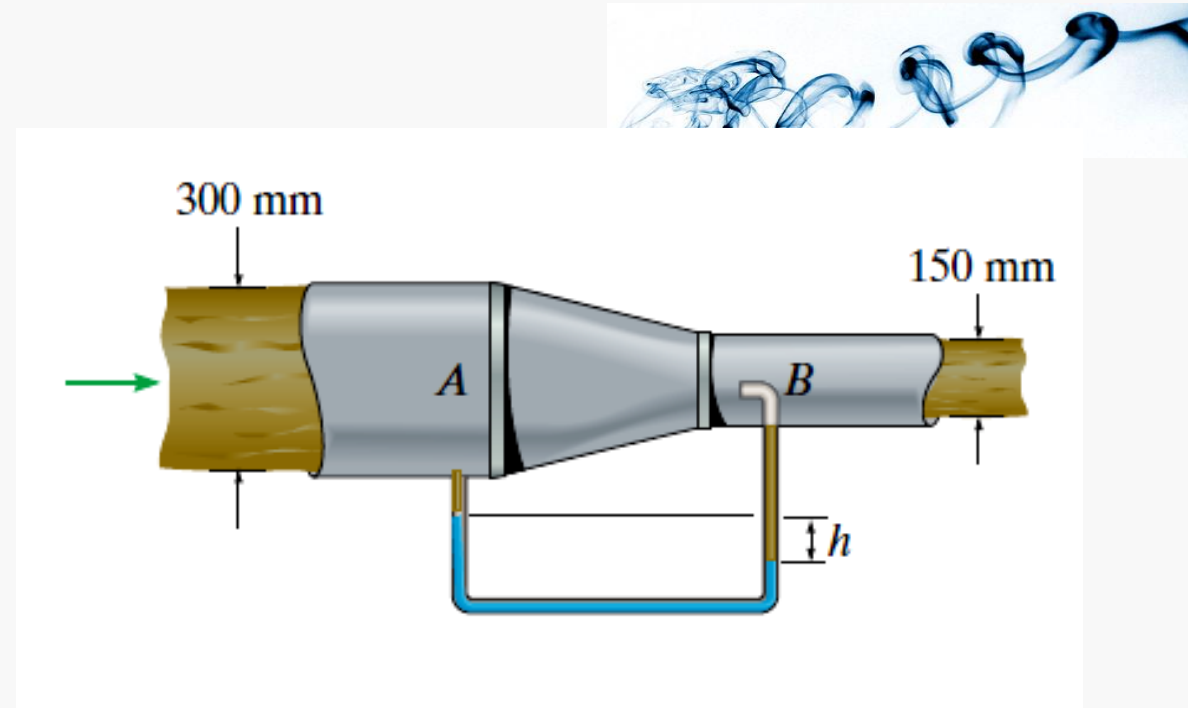
Solution:

From continuity equation, (steady flow)

$$Q = A_A V_A = 0.04 \text{ m}^3/\text{s} \quad (\text{given})$$

$$\therefore V_A = \frac{0.04}{\frac{\pi}{4} d_A^2} = \frac{0.04}{\frac{\pi}{4} (0.3)^2} = 0.57 \text{ m/s}$$

$B$  is the stagnation point  $\therefore V_B = 0$



## Problem # 3

Apply Bernoulli equation between point A and B

$$\frac{p_A}{\gamma_{oil}} + \frac{V_A^2}{2g} + z_A = \frac{p_B}{\gamma_{oil}} + \frac{V_B^2}{2g} + z_B$$

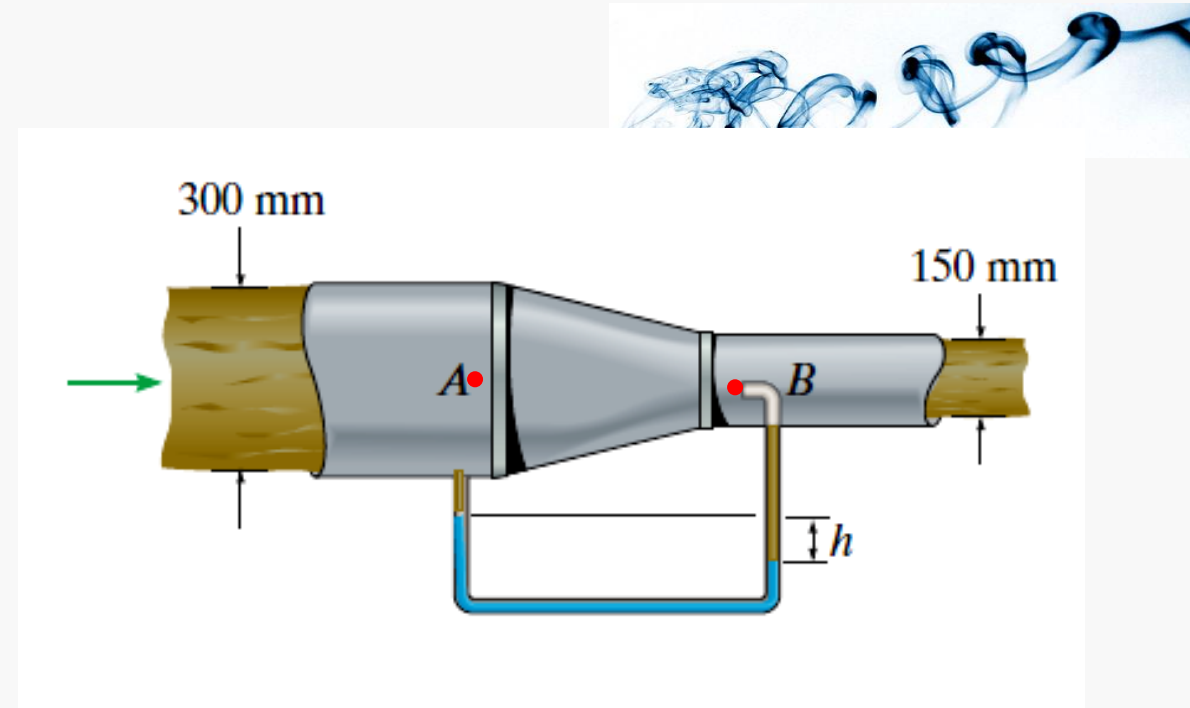
$$\Rightarrow \frac{p_A}{\gamma_{oil}} + \frac{(0.57)^2}{2g} + \cancel{z_A} = \frac{p_B}{\gamma_{oil}} + \frac{0^2}{2g} + \cancel{z_B}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_B - p_A = \frac{(0.57)^2}{2g} \gamma_{oil}$$

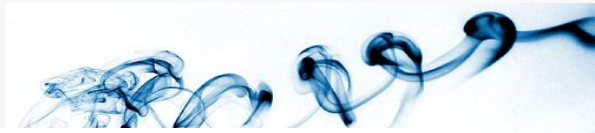
$$\Rightarrow p_B - p_A = \frac{(0.57)^2}{2g} (\rho_{oil} g)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_B - p_A = \frac{(0.57)^2}{2} (875)$$

$$\boxed{\Rightarrow p_B - p_A = 142.1} \quad (i)$$



# Problem # 3



From **principle of manometry (fluid statics)**

$$p_A + \rho_{oil}gh_{AC} + \rho_{water}gh_{CD} = p_B + \rho_{oil}gh_{BD}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_A + (875)(9.81)a + (1000)(9.81)h = p_B + (875)(9.81)(a + h)$$

$$\Rightarrow p_B - p_A = 1226.25h$$

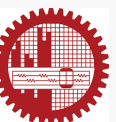
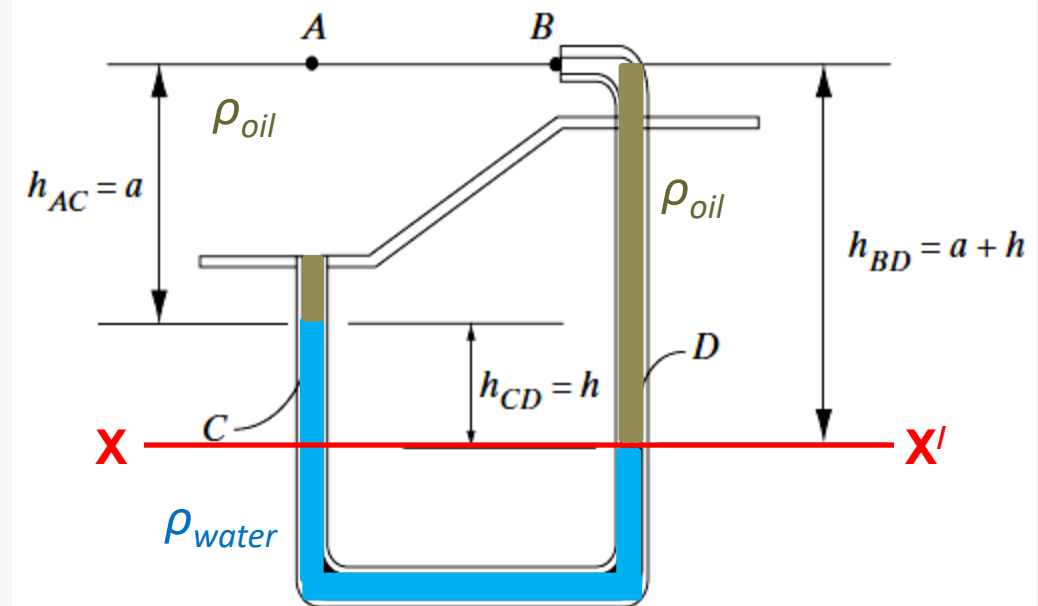
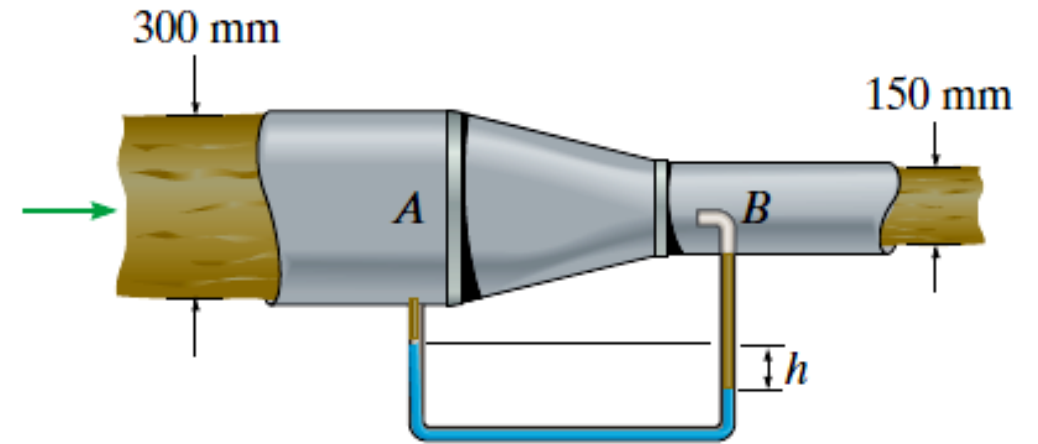
$$\Rightarrow 142.1 = 1226.25h$$

From Eq. (i):  $\Rightarrow p_B - p_A = 142.1$

$$\Rightarrow h = 0.116\text{m}$$

$$\therefore h = 116\text{mm}$$

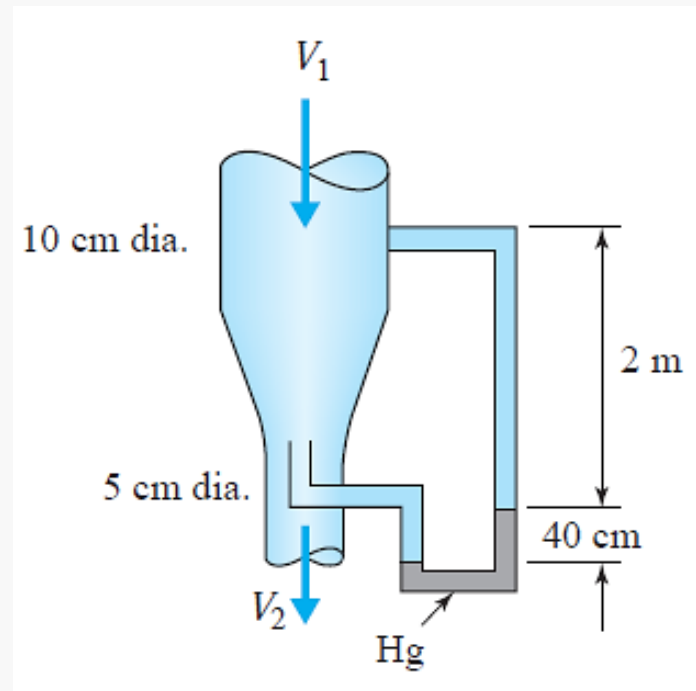
**Ans.**





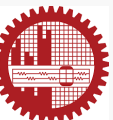
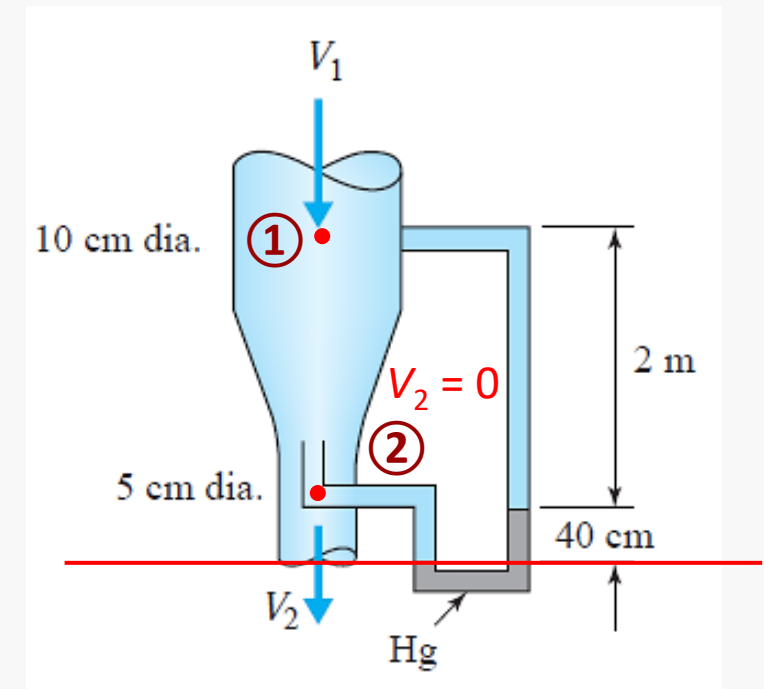
## Problem # 4

Find the velocity  $V_1$  of the water in the vertical pipe shown in Fig. Assume no losses.



- (1) Apply Bernoulli Equation between ① and ②
- (2) Use the principle of manometry

Ans:  $V_1 = 9.94 \text{ m/s}$



## Problem # 5

Determine the volumetric flow rate of water and the pressure in the pipe at A if the height of the water column in the Pitot tube is 0.3 m and the height in the piezometer is 0.1 m.

**Solution:**

Use continuity equation between points A and B

$$V_A = 9V_B$$

Calculate pressure at B

$$p_B = 1.71675(10^3) \text{ Pa}$$

Calculate stagnation pressure at C

$$p_C = 2.943(10^3) \text{ Pa}$$

Use Bernoulli equation between points **A** and **C**

$$p_A + 500V_A^2 = 2.943(10^3)$$

Use Bernoulli equation between points **C** and **B**

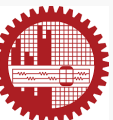
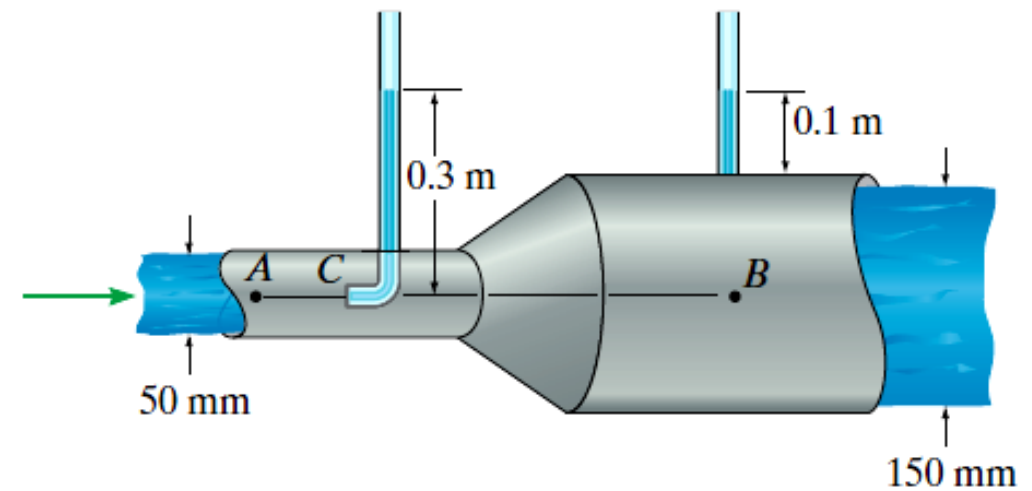
$$V_B = 1.566 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Q = A_A V_A = A_B V_B$$

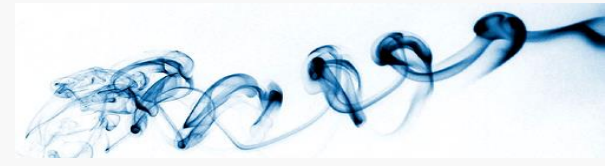
**Ans.**

$$p_A = -96.4 \text{ kPa}$$

$$Q = 0.0277 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

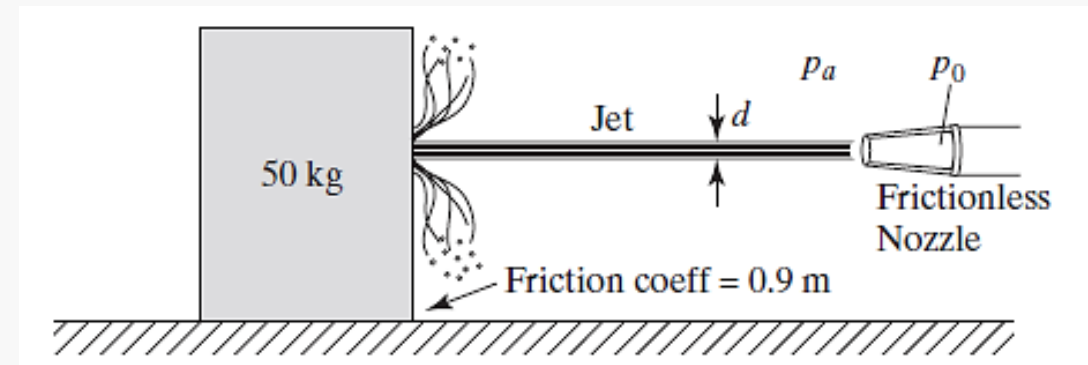


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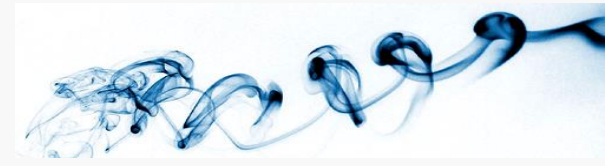


A water jet hits horizontally a 50-kg block. The friction coefficient between the block and the ground is 0.9. What is the minimum diameter  $d$  of the water jet for the block to slide to the left?

Assume the stagnation pressure inside the nozzle is  $p_0 = 4 \text{ atm}$  the pressure outside the nozzle is  $p_a = 1 \text{ atm}$  ( $1 \text{ atm} = 1.013 \times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$ ), and the flow is ideal through the nozzle.



## Problem # 7



The neighbor kid decided to water the garden while standing on his skateboard. As he opened the valve, the circular jet speed was  $7 \text{ m/s}$  and its diameter was  $d_2 = 20 \text{ mm}$ . If his total mass is  $40 \text{ kg}$ , then calculate the force of the jet and his initial acceleration (assuming no friction).

