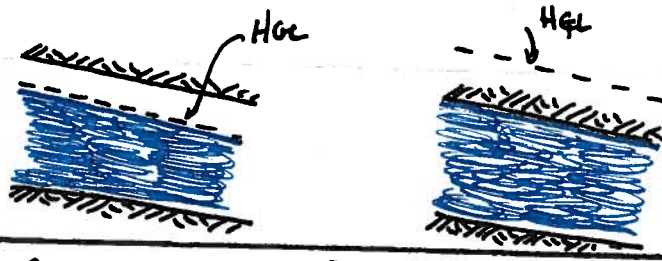


Open Channel Flow

- DEFINE AN OPEN CHANNEL
- DEFINE UNIFORM FLOW
- DEFINE NON-UNIFORM FLOW
- DEFINE CRITICAL FLOW
- COMPUTE Q FROM SLOPE AREA

OPEN CHANNEL

A CONDUIT WHERE THE UPPER BOUNDARY OF FLOW IS THE LIQUID SURFACE



EXAMPLES: CREEKS, DITCHES, RIVERS, CANALS

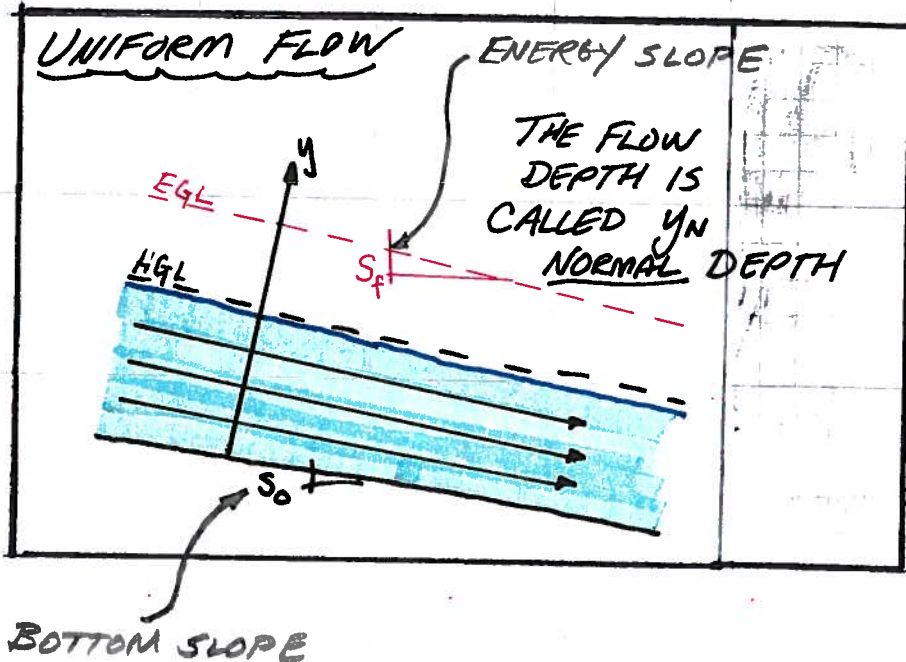
- SEWER PIPES PARTIAL FLOW

UNIFORM FLOW

VELOCITY CONSTANT ALONG
A STREAMLINE

⇒ DEPTH & CROSS
SECTION ARE
CONSTANT ALONG
THE PORTION OF
THE CHANNEL

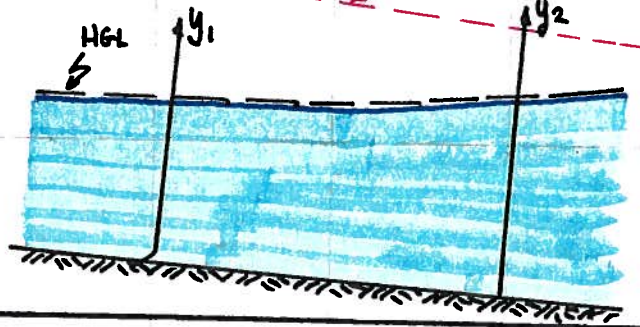
UNIFORM FLOW





NON-UNIFORM FLOW

VELOCITY VARIES ALONG A
STREAMLINE



$$y_1 \neq y_2$$

$$\bar{V}_1 \neq \bar{V}_2$$

SUPPOSE STEADY FLOW ($Q_1 = Q_2$); $V_2 \neq V_1$; WHAT
KIND OF ACCELERATION IS OCCURRING?

DIMENSIONLESS RELATIONS

$$Fr^2 = \frac{\text{kinetic forces}}{\text{gravity forces}} = \frac{V^2}{gL}$$

← RELATED TO
WAVE Celerity

- V IS MEAN SECTION VELOCITY
- g IS GRAVITATIONAL CONSTANT
- L IS CHARACTERISTIC LENGTH

REYNOLDS NUMBER MATTERS TOO!

DIMENSIONLESS RELATIONS

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

R_h IS THE HYDRAULIC RADIUS

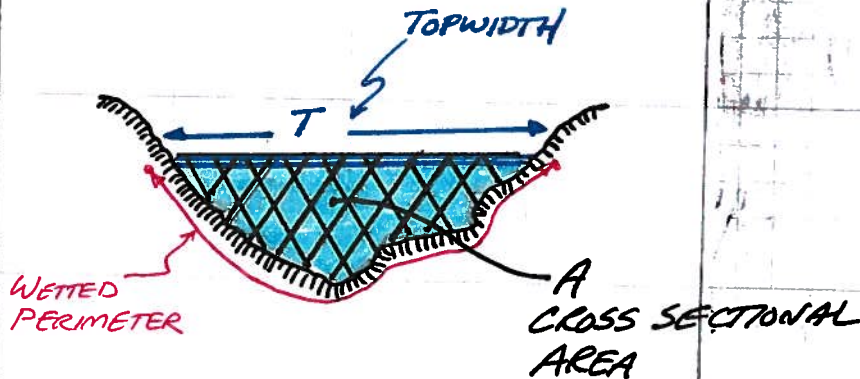
$$R_h = \frac{A}{P}$$

P IS THE WETTED PERIMETER

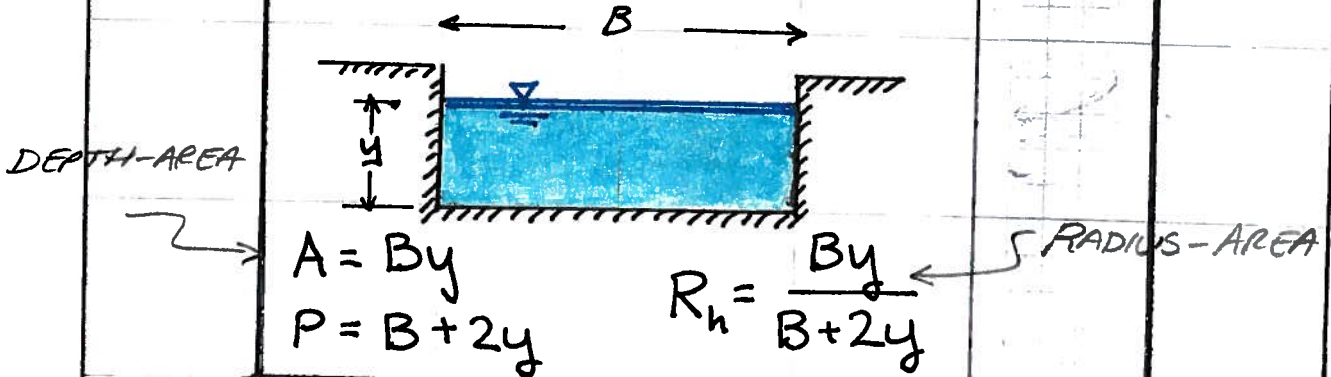
$Re_{R_h} < 500 \Rightarrow$ LAMINAR

$Re_{R_h} > 750 \Rightarrow$ TURBULENT

HYDRAULIC VARIABLES



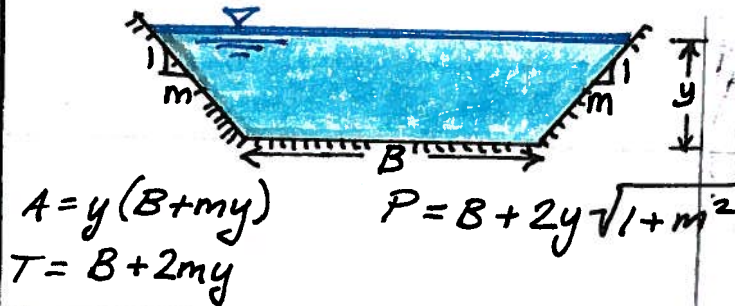
HYDRAULIC VARIABLES IN RECTANGULAR CHANNEL



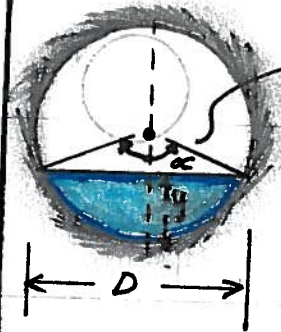
OBSERVE FOR WIDE CHANNEL $B \gg 2y$

$$R_h \approx \frac{By}{B} = y$$

HYDRAULIC VARIABLES IN TRAPEZOIDAL CHANNEL



CIRCULAR CHANNEL



$$\alpha = 2 \cos^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{2y}{D} \right)$$

$$A = \frac{D^2}{4} \left(\frac{\alpha}{2} - \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \cos\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right) \right)$$

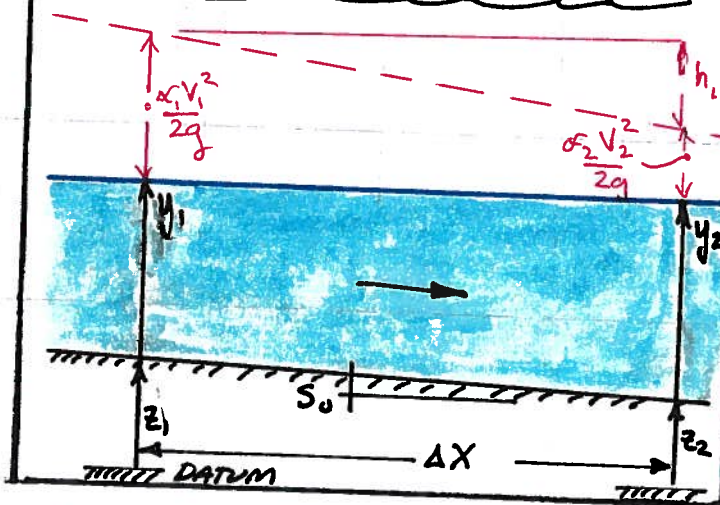
$$T = D \sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$

$$P = \frac{D\alpha}{2}$$

! CHECK THE SKETCH; SOME CONTEXTS USE A HALF-ANGLE (LIKE OUR BOOK P567)
!! α (HERE) IS IN RADIANS

p557

ENERGY EQ, OPEN CHANNEL



DEFINITION SKETCH — DIFFERENT FROM BOOK; BY CONVENTION USUALLY MEASURE TO BOTTOM OF CHANNEL



$$\frac{p_1}{\gamma} + \frac{\alpha_1 v_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = \frac{p_2}{\gamma} + \frac{\alpha_2 v_2^2}{2g} + z_2 + h_L$$

WHEN TURBULENT (COMMON) AND
NOT TOO MUCH CURVATURE
 $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2 \approx 1.0$

$$\frac{p_1}{\gamma} = y_1 \quad \frac{p_2}{\gamma} = y_2$$

HYDROSTATIC APPROXIMATION.
AND FLOW DEPTH IS EQUIVALENT
TO PRESSURE HEAD.

$$z_1 - z_2 = S_0 \Delta X$$

$$\therefore y_1 + \frac{v_1^2}{2g} + S_0 \Delta X = y_2 + \frac{v_2^2}{2g} + h_L$$

$$h_L = S_f \Delta X$$

↑ ENERGY SLOPE
FRICION SLOPE



UNIFORM (NORMAL) FLOW

UNIFORM FLOW IS DEFINED AS

$$S_o = S_f$$

BUT

$$S_f = \frac{h_L}{\Delta X}$$

RECALL DARCY-WEISBACH HEAD
LOSS MODEL

$$h_L = f \frac{L}{D} \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

D IN PIPE IS EQUIVALENT
TO $4R_h$

$$\therefore h_L = f \frac{L}{4R_h} \frac{V^2}{2g}$$



$$\text{SO } \frac{h_L}{L} = \frac{h_L}{AX} = S_f$$

$$\therefore S_f = \frac{f}{4R_h} \frac{V^2}{2g}$$

UNIFORM

$$S_f = S_0$$

$$\therefore V = \sqrt{\frac{8g}{f} R_h S_0}$$

USING D-W MODEL IN THIS WAY
USE MOODY CHART. SUBSTITUTE
 $4R_h$ FOR THE DIAMETER

$\frac{k_s}{4R_h}$ FROM MATERIAL PROPERTIES

ROCK CHANNEL ALTERNATIVE

$$f = \frac{1}{\left[1.2 + 2.03 \log\left(\frac{R_h}{d_{90}}\right)\right]^2}$$



ALTERNATIVE HEAD LOSS MODELS

CHEZY

$$V = C \sqrt{R_h S_0}$$

MANNING

$$V = \frac{1}{n} R^{2/3} S_0^{1/2} \quad (\text{SI})$$

$$V = \frac{1.49}{n} R^{2/3} S_0^{1/2} \quad (\text{U.S.})$$

MULTIPLY BY AREA TO RECOVER
DISCHARGE Q

$$Q = \frac{1.49}{n} A R^{2/3} S_0^{1/2}$$

MOST
COMMON MODEL
IN OPEN CHANNEL
HYDRAULICS

U.S. 1.49

S.I. 1.0

NOTE: S_0 IS FRICTION SLOPE
IN UNIFORM FLOW



THE "n" IS CALLED A RESISTANCE COEFFICIENT.

REFERRED TO AS "MANNING'S n"

LOOK UP IN TABLES (LIKE IN TEXT; INTERNET; OTHER SOURCES)

BOOK DESCRIBES "BEST" HYDRAULIC SECTION
SELF-STUDY (P563)

NON-UNIFORM FLOW

NON-UNIFORM $S_f \neq S_o$

SPECIFIC ENERGY

$$E = y + \frac{v^2}{2g}$$

E IS SUM OF PRESSURE & VELOCITY HEAD.



EXPRESS IN DISCHARGE FORM

$$E = y + \frac{Q^2}{2gA^2}$$

ENERGY EQUATION IS

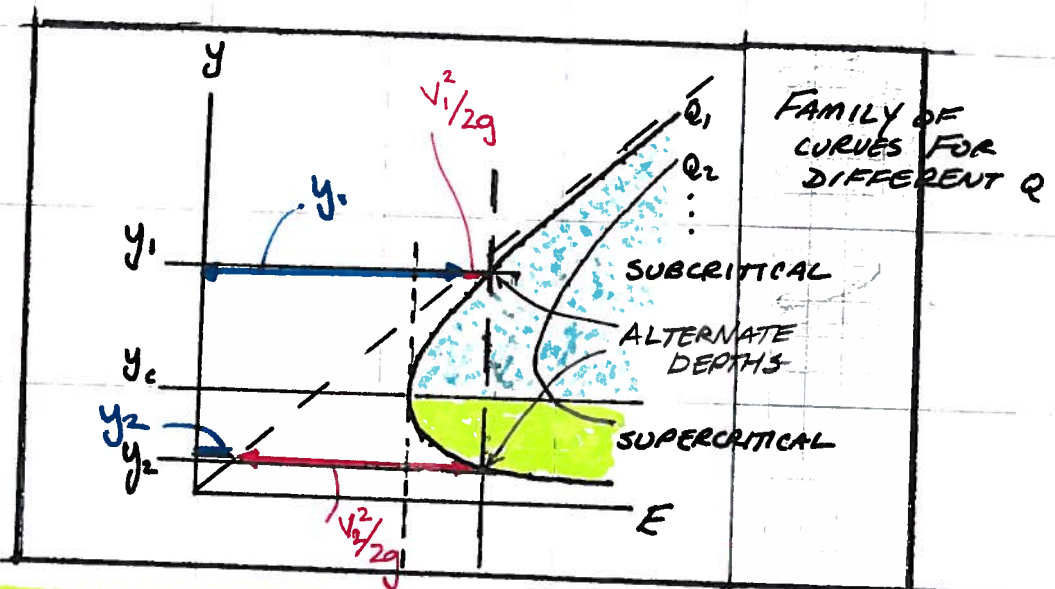
$$y_1 + \frac{Q^2}{2gA_1^2} + S_0 \Delta X = y_2 + \frac{Q^2}{2gA_2^2} + S_f \Delta X$$

NOW CONSIDER ZERO SLOPE
AND FRICTIONLESS SYSTEM

$$S_0 = 0 ; S_f = 0$$

$$y_1 + \frac{Q^2}{2gA_1^2} = y_2 + \frac{Q^2}{2gA_2^2}$$

A PLOT OF y VS E IS
CALLED SPECIFIC ENERGY PLOT



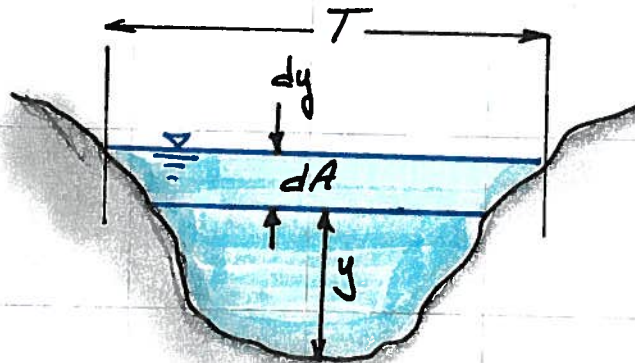
THE MINIMUM ENERGY POINT, FOR ANY GIVEN Q
IS CALLED CRITICAL FLOW
THE DEPTH IS CALLED CRITICAL DEPTH

CRITICAL FLOW CHARACTERISTICS

$$\frac{dE}{dy} = 1 - \frac{Q^2}{gA^3} \frac{dA}{dy}$$

AT MINIMUM

$$\frac{dE}{dy} = 0 \quad \therefore \quad \frac{Q^2}{gA^3} \frac{dA}{dy} = 1$$



$$dA = T dy \therefore \frac{dA}{dy} = T$$

dA

THUS

$$\frac{Q^2 T}{g A^3} = 1$$

$$\frac{V^2 T}{g A} \text{ OR } = 1$$

OBSERVE $T/A = A$ CHARACTERISTIC LENGTH



So

$$\frac{V^2}{gL} = 1$$

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$$Fr^2$$

(AT CRITICAL FLOW

$$Fr^2 = 1$$

THE CRITICAL CRITERION IS  
MORE USEFUL IN DISCHARGE-AREA  
FORM

$$\frac{Q^2 T}{g A^3} = 1$$

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ALSO HOW TO COMPUTE
 Fr^2 FOR ANY GIVEN Q & y



CRITICAL FLOW OCCURS AT
CRITICAL (CONTROL) SECTIONS

BROAD WEIR

PARTIAL FLUME
CHANGE IN SLOPE
FREE OVERFALL

SLOPE-AREA

15.5 } IN-CLASS
15.7 } EXAMPLES



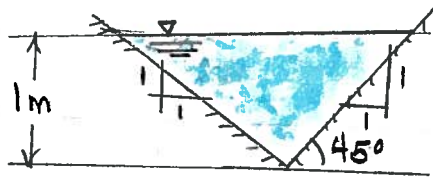
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15-5

TRIANGLE CHANNEL, LONG. SLOPE

$$S_0 = 0.0019$$



PLANED WOOD
WHAT IS Q?

SLOPE-AREA (MANNING'S)

$$Q = \frac{1}{n} A R^{2/3} S_0^{1/2}$$

$$n = 0.012 \text{ (TABLE 15-1 PG 561)}$$

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(TRAPEZOID; $B = 0 \text{ m} = 1$)

$$A = y(B + my) = y^2 \quad y = 1$$

$$P = B + 2y\sqrt{1+m^2}$$

$$= 2y\sqrt{2}$$

$$R_H = \frac{y^2}{2y\sqrt{2}} = \frac{y}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore Q = \frac{1}{0.012} (1^2) \left(\frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}}\right)^{2/3} (0.0019)^{1/2}$$

$$= 1.82 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$



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15.7

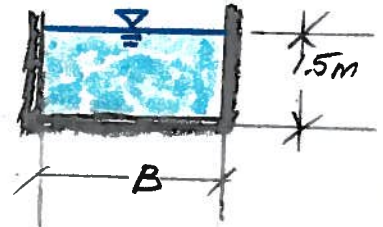
RECTANGULAR CHANNEL

$$S_0 = 0.001$$

$$B = 3 \text{ m}$$

$$y = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

FIND Q



SLOPE-AREA

$$Q = \frac{1}{n} A R^{2/3} S_0^{1/2}$$

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$$n = 0.012$$

$$Q = \frac{1}{0.012} (3 \times 1.5) (6)^{2/3} (0.001)^{1/2}$$

$$= 9.78 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

IF CHOOSE D-W

$$V = A = 4.5 \text{ m}^2$$

$$P = 6 \text{ m}$$

$$R_h = A/P = 0.75 \text{ m}$$

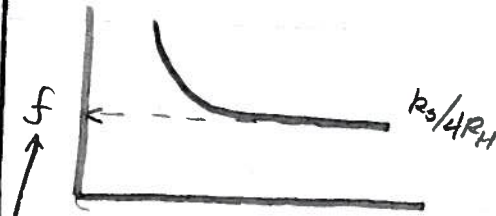
$$\frac{K_s}{4R_h} = 0.333 \cdot 10^{-8}$$



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Use MOODY CHART



USE THIS VALUE AS 1st GUESS

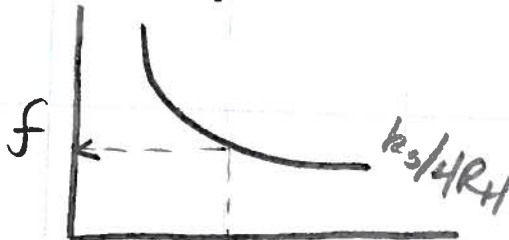
$$f = 0.016$$

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{8g R_h S_0}{f}} = 1.92 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Re_D = \frac{1.92 \cdot 4(0.75)}{1.31 \cdot 10^{-6}} = 4.4 \cdot 10^6$$

SCRIPT

BOARD



$$f = 0.015$$

$$V = \sqrt{\frac{8g R_h S_0}{f}} = 1.98 \text{ m/s}$$

$$Q = (1.95 \text{ m/s})(4.5 \text{ m}^2) \\ = 8.91 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

ABOUT SAME RESULT