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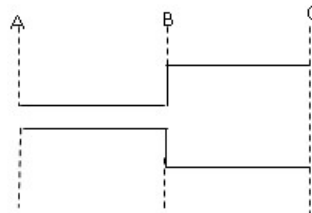
17.1 Numericals

Q 1. Discharge through a pipe line is 0.05 m³/s. The diameter of pipe at section AB is 10 cm which suddenly changes to 15 cm in section BC. The co-efficient of friction is 0.05 for both the pipes; determine the total head loss from A to C.

Solution:

$$Q = 0.05 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

Area	Section	Length	Diameter
$A_1 = \frac{\pi}{4}(0.1)^2$	AB	L_1	$D_1 = 0.10 \text{ m}$
$A_2 = \frac{\pi}{4}(0.15)^2$	BC	L_2	$D_2 = 0.15 \text{ m}$



Total loss = Major loss + Minor loss

$$V_1 = \frac{Q}{A_1} = 6.369 \text{ m/s}; V_2 = \frac{Q}{A_2} = 2.831 \text{ m/s}$$

$$h_f = \frac{4fLV^2}{2gD}; h_{se} = \frac{(V_1 - V_2)^2}{2g}; f = 0.05$$

$$\text{Total head loss (h)} = \frac{4fL_1V_1^2}{2gD} + \frac{(V_1 - V_2)^2}{2g} + \frac{4fL_2V_2^2}{2gD_2}$$

$$h = \frac{4 \times 0.05 \times 5 \times (6.36)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.1} + \frac{(6.36 - 2.83)^2}{2 \times 9.81} + \frac{4 \times 0.05 \times 10 \times (2.83)^2}{22 \times 9.81 \times 0.15}$$

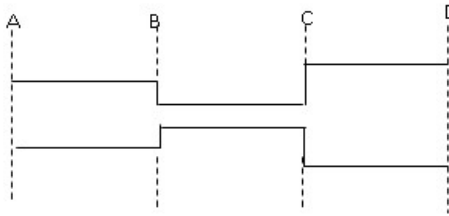
$$= 20.229 + 0.635 + 5.442$$

$$= 26.3066 \text{ m}$$

Q 2. Diameter and length of the different sections of a pipe line is given as follows:

Junctions B and C are cases of sudden contraction & enlargement respectively. If the flow rate is 0.01 m³/s, determine total head loss in entire length of pipe. Contraction loss co-efficient is 0.45.

Section	Length	Diameter	Co-efficient of friction
AB	$L_1 = 2.5$	$D_1 = 0.15 \text{ m}$	0.02
BC	$L_2 = 5$	$D_2 = 0.10 \text{ m}$	0.02
CD	$L_3 = 2.5$	$D_3 = 0.20 \text{ m}$	0.02



$$A_1 = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.15)^2; A_2 = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.10)^2 \text{ and } A_3 = \frac{\pi}{4} (0.20)^2$$

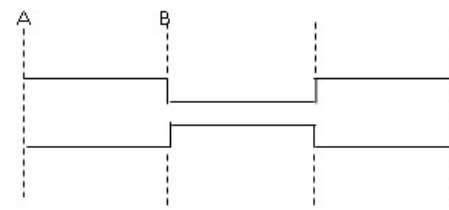
$$V_1 = \frac{Q}{A_1}; V_2 = \frac{Q}{A_2}; V_3 = \frac{Q}{A_3}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total head loss (h)} &= \frac{4fL_1V_1^2}{2gD_1} + K_c \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + \frac{4fL_2V_2^2}{2gD_2} + \frac{(V_2 - V_3)^2}{2g} + \frac{4fL_3V_3^2}{2gD_3} \\ h &= \frac{4 \times 0.02 \times 2.5 \times (0.56)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.15} + \frac{0.45 \times (1.27)^2}{2 \times 9.81} + \frac{4 \times 0.02 \times 5 \times (1.27)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.10} + \frac{(1.27)^2}{2 \times 9.81} \\ &\quad + \frac{4 \times 0.02 \times 2.5 \times (0.32)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.20} \\ h &= 0.021 + 0.036 + 0.328 + 0.045 + 0.005 \\ h &= 0.435 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

Q 3. Diameter & length of different sections of pipe line connected to a large tank given as below. There is an abrupt expansion & contraction at junction B & C. Water is discharged directly into open end of pipe at D. Determine the height of water surface above the discharge point to get a velocity of 2.5 m/s at the end of pipe. Take contraction loss co-efficient as 0.45.

Section	Length	Diameter	Co-efficient of friction
AB	$L_1 = 10 \text{ m}$	$D_1 = 0.05 \text{ m}$	0.005
BC	$L_2 = 20 \text{ m}$	$D_2 = 0.10 \text{ m}$	0.005
CD	$L_3 = 15 \text{ m}$	$D_3 = 0.05 \text{ m}$	0.005

Solution:



Section	Co-efficient	Area	Velocity
AB	0.005	$A_1 = \frac{\pi}{4} (D_1)^2$	$V_1 = Q/A_1$
BC	0.005	$A_2 = \frac{\pi}{4} (D_2)^2$	$V_2 = Q/A_2$
CD	0.005	$A_3 = \frac{\pi}{4} (D_3)^2$	$V_3 = 2.5 \text{ m/s}$

$$Q = V_3 A_3 = 2.5 * \frac{\pi}{4} (0.05)^2$$

$$= 4.90 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

Height of water surface above discharge point = Total head loss.

Total head loss

$$= \frac{0.5V_1^2}{2g} + \frac{4fL_1V_1^2}{2gD_1} + \frac{(V_1 - V_2)^2}{2g} + \frac{4fL_2V_2^2}{2gD_2} + K_c \frac{V_3^2}{2g} + \frac{4fL_3V_3^2}{2gD_3} + \frac{V_3^2}{2g}$$

$$h = \frac{0.5 \times (2.5)^2}{2 \times 9.81} + \frac{4 \times 0.005 \times 10 \times (2.5)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.05} + \frac{(2.5 - 0.60)^2}{2 \times 9.81} + \frac{4 \times 0.005 \times 20 \times (0.60)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.10}$$

$$+ 0.45 \times \frac{(2.5)^2}{2 \times 9.81} + \frac{4 \times 0.005 \times 15 \times (2.5)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.05} + \frac{(2.5)^2}{2 \times 9.81}$$

$$h = 0.159 + 1.274 + 0.184 + 0.073 + 0.143 + 1.911 + 0.318 = 4.062 \text{ m}$$

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