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Hydraulics-II (CENG-2162)

Assignment 2 (Dimensional Analysis and Similitude)

- 1) Spillway model is, to be built to a geometrically similar scale of 1/ 40 across a flume of 50 cm width. The prototype is 20 m high and maximum head on it is expected to be 2m.
 - (i) What height of model and what head on the model should be used
 - (ii) If the flow over the model at a particular head is 10 liters/s, what flow per meter? Length of the prototype is expected?
 - (iii) If the negative pressure in the model is 150 mm, what is the negative pressure in the prototype? Is it practicable?
- 2) The discharge Q through an orifice is a function of the diameter d , the pressure difference p , the density ρ , and the viscosity μ , where ϕ is some unknown function. Show that,
$$Q = \frac{d^2 p^{1/2}}{\rho^{1/2}} \phi\left(\frac{d \rho^{1/2} p^{1/2}}{\mu}\right)$$
- 3) A ship 250 m long moves in sea-water, whose density is 1030 kg/m³. A 1: 125 model of this ship is to be tested in wind tunnel. The velocity of air in the wind tunnel around the model is 20 m/s and the resistance of the model is 50N. Determine the velocity of ship in sea-water and also the resistance of the ship in sea-water. The density of air is given as 1.24 kg/m³. Take the kinematic viscosity of sea-water and air as 0.012 stokes and 0.018 stokes.
- 4) The variables controlling the motion of a floating vessel through water are the drag force F , the speed V , the length L , the density ρ and dynamic viscosity of water and acceleration due to gravity g . Derive an expression for F by dimensional analysis.
- 5) A 50 cm tall scale model of a proposed 50 m spillway is used to predict prototype flow conditions. If the design flood discharge over the spillway is 20,000 m³/s, what water flow rate should be tested in the model?