

Important Uniform Flow in Channels Formulas PDF



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List of 32 Important Uniform Flow in Channels Formulas

1) Average Velocity in Uniform Flow in Channels Formulas

1.1) Average Velocity in Channel Formula

Formula

$$V_{\text{avg}} = \sqrt{8 \cdot [g] \cdot R_H \cdot \frac{S}{f}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3169 \text{ m/s} = \sqrt{8 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 1.6 \text{ m} \cdot \frac{0.0004}{0.5}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.2) Boundary Shear Stress Formula

Formula

$$\zeta_0 = \gamma_1 \cdot R_H \cdot S$$

Example with Units

$$6.2784 \text{ Pa} = 9.81 \text{ kN/m}^3 \cdot 1.6 \text{ m} \cdot 0.0004$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.3) Friction Factor given Average Velocity in Channel Formula

Formula

$$f = \left(8 \cdot [g] \cdot R_H \cdot \frac{S}{V_{\text{avg}}^2} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.4903 = \left(8 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot 1.6 \text{ m} \cdot \frac{0.0004}{0.32 \text{ m/s}^2} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.4) Hydraulic Radius given Average Velocity in Channel Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}}{\sqrt{8 \cdot [g] \cdot \frac{S}{f}}} \right)^2$$

Example with Units

$$1.6315 \text{ m} = \left(\frac{0.32 \text{ m/s}}{\sqrt{8 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot \frac{0.0004}{0.5}}} \right)^2$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.5) Hydraulic Radius given Boundary Shear Stress Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \frac{\zeta_0}{\gamma_1 \cdot S}$$

Example with Units

$$1.6055 \text{ m} = \frac{6.3 \text{ Pa}}{9.81 \text{ kN/m}^3 \cdot 0.0004}$$

Evaluate Formula 



1.6) Slope of Channel Bed given Average Velocity in Channel Formula

Formula

$$S = \left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}}{\sqrt{8 \cdot [g] \cdot \frac{R_H}{f}}} \right)^2$$

Example with Units

$$0.0004 = \left(\frac{0.32 \text{ m/s}}{\sqrt{8 \cdot 9.8066 \text{ m/s}^2 \cdot \frac{1.6 \text{ m}}{0.5}}} \right)^2$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.7) Slope of Channel Bottom given Boundary Shear Stress Formula

Formula

$$S = \frac{\zeta_0}{\gamma_l \cdot R_H}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0004 = \frac{6.3 \text{ Pa}}{9.81 \text{ kN/m}^3 \cdot 1.6 \text{ m}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.8) Specific Weight of Liquid given Boundary Shear Stress Formula

Formula

$$\gamma_l = \frac{\zeta_0}{R_H \cdot S}$$

Example with Units

$$9.8437 \text{ kN/m}^3 = \frac{6.3 \text{ Pa}}{1.6 \text{ m} \cdot 0.0004}$$

Evaluate Formula 

1.9) Strickler Formula for Average Height of Roughness Protrusions Formula

Formula

$$R_a = (21 \cdot n)^6$$

Example with Units

$$0.2561 \text{ mm} = (21 \cdot 0.012)^6$$

Evaluate Formula 

2) Chezy Constant in Uniform Flow Formulas

2.1) Average Velocity in Channel given Chezy Constant Formula

Formula

$$V_{\text{avg}} = C \cdot \sqrt{R_H \cdot S}$$

Example with Units

$$1.0119 \text{ m/s} = 40 \cdot \sqrt{1.6 \text{ m} \cdot 0.0004}$$

Evaluate Formula 

2.2) Chezy ζ_0 Constant given Average Velocity in Channel Formula

Formula

$$C = \frac{V_{\text{avg}}}{\sqrt{R_H \cdot S}}$$

Example with Units

$$12.6491 = \frac{0.32 \text{ m/s}}{\sqrt{1.6 \text{ m} \cdot 0.0004}}$$

Evaluate Formula 



2.3) Chezy Constant through Ganguillet-Kutter Formula Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$C = \frac{23 + \left(\frac{0.00155}{S} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{n} \right)}{1 + \left(23 + \left(\frac{0.00155}{S} \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{n}{\sqrt{D_{\text{Hydraulic}}}} \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$92.9091 = \frac{23 + \left(\frac{0.00155}{0.0004} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{0.012} \right)}{1 + \left(23 + \left(\frac{0.00155}{0.0004} \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.012}{\sqrt{3\text{m}}} \right)}$$

2.4) Chezy Constant using Basin Formula Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$C = \frac{157.6}{1.81 + \left(\frac{K}{\sqrt{D_{\text{Hydraulic}}}} \right)}$$

Example with Units

$$84.3803 = \frac{157.6}{1.81 + \left(\frac{0.10}{\sqrt{3\text{m}}} \right)}$$

2.5) Chezy Constant using Manning's Formula Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$C = \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \cdot D_{\text{Hydraulic}}^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

Example with Units

$$100.0781 = \left(\frac{1}{0.012} \right) \cdot 3\text{m}^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

2.6) Hydraulic Radius given Average Velocity in Channel with Chezy Constant Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$R_H = \frac{\left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}}{C} \right)^2}{S}$$

Example with Units

$$0.16\text{m} = \frac{\left(\frac{0.32\text{m/s}}{40} \right)^2}{0.0004}$$

2.7) Slope of Channel Bed given Average Velocity in Channel with Chezy Constant Formula

Evaluate Formula 

Formula

$$S = \frac{\left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}}{C} \right)^2}{R_H}$$

Example with Units

$$4\text{E-}5 = \frac{\left(\frac{0.32\text{m/s}}{40} \right)^2}{1.6\text{m}}$$



3) Manning's Formula in Uniform Flow Formulas

3.1) Manning's Coefficient using Strickler Formula

Formula

$$n = \frac{R_a^{\frac{1}{6}}}{21}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0048 = \frac{0.001 \text{ mm}^{\frac{1}{6}}}{21}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.2) Manning's Formula for Average Velocity Formula

Formula

$$V_{\text{avg}(U)} = \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot \left(R_H^{\frac{2}{3}}\right) \cdot \left(S^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$2.28 \text{ m/s} = \left(\frac{1}{0.012}\right) \cdot \left(1.6 \text{ m}^{\frac{2}{3}}\right) \cdot \left(0.0004^{\frac{1}{2}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.3) Manning's Formula for Coefficient of Roughness given Average Velocity Formula

Formula

$$n = \left(\frac{1}{V_{\text{avg}(U)}}\right) \cdot \left(S^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \cdot \left(R_H^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)$$

Example with Units

$$0.0344 = \left(\frac{1}{0.796 \text{ m/s}}\right) \cdot \left(0.0004^{\frac{1}{2}}\right) \cdot \left(1.6 \text{ m}^{\frac{2}{3}}\right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.4) Manning's Formula for Hydraulic Radius given Average Velocity Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \left(V_{\text{avg}(U)} \cdot \frac{n}{\sqrt{S}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.3301 \text{ m} = \left(0.796 \text{ m/s} \cdot \frac{0.012}{\sqrt{0.0004}}\right)^{\frac{3}{2}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.5) Manning's Formula for Hydraulic Radius given Chezy's Constant Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \left(\frac{1}{S}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}}{C}\right)^2$$

Example with Units

$$0.16 \text{ m} = \left(\frac{1}{0.0004}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.32 \text{ m/s}}{40}\right)^2$$

Evaluate Formula 

3.6) Manning's Formula for Roughness Coefficient given Chezy's Constant Formula

Formula

$$n = \left(\frac{1}{C}\right) \cdot D_{\text{Hydraulic}}^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.03 = \left(\frac{1}{40}\right) \cdot 3 \text{ m}^{\frac{1}{6}}$$

Evaluate Formula 



3.7) Manning's Formula for Slope of Channel Bed given Average Velocity Formula

Formula

$$S = \left(V_{\text{avg}}(U) \cdot \frac{n}{R_H^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right)^2$$

Example with Units

$$4.9\text{E-}5 = \left(0.796\text{ m/s} \cdot \frac{0.012}{1.6\text{ m}^{\frac{2}{3}}} \right)^2$$

Evaluate Formula 

4) Uniform Turbulent Flow Formulas

4.1) Average Height of Roughness Protrusions given Chezy Constant for Rough Channels Formula

Formula

$$z_0 = 12.2 \cdot \frac{R_H}{10^{\frac{1}{18}} \cdot C}$$

Example with Units

$$0.117\text{ m} = 12.2 \cdot \frac{1.6\text{ m}}{10^{\frac{1}{18}} \cdot 40}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.2) Average Height of Roughness Protrusions given Mean Velocity of flow in Rough Channels Formula

Formula

$$R_a = \frac{R_H}{10^{\frac{\left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}(\text{Tur})}{V_{\text{absar}}} \right) - 6.25}{5.75}}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.0009\text{ mm} = \frac{1.6\text{ m}}{10^{\frac{\left(\frac{380\text{ m/s}}{9\text{ m/s}} \right) - 6.25}{5.75}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.3) Chezy Constant for Rough Channels Formula

Formula

$$C = 18 \cdot \log_{10} \left(12.2 \cdot \frac{R_H}{R_a} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$131.2286 = 18 \cdot \log_{10} \left(12.2 \cdot \frac{1.6\text{ m}}{0.001\text{ mm}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.4) Hydraulic Radius given Chezy Constant for Rough Channels Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \frac{\left(10^{\frac{C}{18}} \right) \cdot R_a}{12.2}$$

Example with Units

$$1.4\text{E-}5\text{ m} = \frac{\left(10^{\frac{40}{18}} \right) \cdot 0.001\text{ mm}}{12.2}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.5) Hydraulic Radius given Mean Velocity of flow in Rough Channels Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \left(10^{\frac{\left(\frac{V_{\text{avg}}(\text{Tur})}{V_{\text{absar}}} \right) - 6.25}{5.75}} \right) \cdot R_a$$

Example with Units

$$1.8032\text{ m} = \left(10^{\frac{\left(\frac{380\text{ m/s}}{9\text{ m/s}} \right) - 6.25}{5.75}} \right) \cdot 0.001\text{ mm}$$

Evaluate Formula 



4.6) Hydraulic Radius given Mean Velocity of flow in Smooth Channels Formula

Formula

$$R_H = \left(10^{\frac{\left(\frac{V_{avg}(Tur)}{V_{shear}} \right) - 3.25}{5.75}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{v_{Tur}}{V_{shear}} \right)$$

Example with Units

$$1.9317 \text{ m} = \left(10^{\frac{\left(\frac{380 \text{ m/s}}{9 \text{ m/s}} \right) - 3.25}{5.75}} \right) \cdot \left(\frac{0.029 \text{ St}}{9 \text{ m/s}} \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.7) Kinematic Viscosity given Mean Velocity of flow in Smooth Channels Formula

Formula

$$v_{Tur} = \frac{R_H \cdot V_{shear}}{10^{\frac{\left(\frac{V_{avg}(Tur)}{V_{shear}} \right) - 3.25}{5.75}}}$$

Example with Units

$$0.024 \text{ St} = \frac{1.6 \text{ m} \cdot 9 \text{ m/s}}{10^{\frac{\left(\frac{380 \text{ m/s}}{9 \text{ m/s}} \right) - 3.25}{5.75}}}$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.8) Mean Velocity of flow in Rough Channels Formula

Formula

$$V_{avg}(Tur) = V_{shear} \cdot \left(6.25 + 5.75 \cdot \log_{10} \left(\frac{R_H}{R_a} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$377.3132 \text{ m/s} = 9 \text{ m/s} \cdot \left(6.25 + 5.75 \cdot \log_{10} \left(\frac{1.6 \text{ m}}{0.001 \text{ mm}} \right) \right)$$

Evaluate Formula 

4.9) Mean Velocity of flow in Smooth Channels Formula

Formula

$$V_{avg}(Tur) = V_{shear} \cdot \left(3.25 + 5.75 \cdot \log_{10} \left(R_H \cdot \frac{V_{shear}}{v_{Tur}} \right) \right)$$

Example with Units

$$375.7662 \text{ m/s} = 9 \text{ m/s} \cdot \left(3.25 + 5.75 \cdot \log_{10} \left(1.6 \text{ m} \cdot \frac{9 \text{ m/s}}{0.029 \text{ St}} \right) \right)$$






Evaluate Formula 



Variables used in list of Uniform Flow in Channels Formulas above




















- **C** Chezy's Constant
- **D_{Hydraulic}** Hydraulic Depth (Meter)
- **f** Darcy Friction Factor
- **K** Bazin's Constant
- **n** Manning's Roughness Coefficient
- **R_a** Roughness Value (Millimeter)
- **R_H** Hydraulic Radius of Channel (Meter)
- **S** Bed Slope
- **V_{avg}** Average Velocity of Flow (Meter per Second)
- **V_{avg(Tur)}** Average Velocity of Turbulent flow (Meter per Second)
- **V_{avg(U)}** Average Velocity of Uniform Flow (Meter per Second)
- **V_{shear}** Shear Velocity (Meter per Second)
- **Z₀** Roughness Height of Surface (Meter)
- **Y_l** Liquid Specific Weight (Kilonewton per Cubic Meter)
- **ζ₀** Shear Stress of Wall (Pascal)
- **V_{Tur}** Kinematic Viscosity of Turbulent Flow (Stokes)

Constants, Functions, Measurements used in list of Uniform Flow in Channels Formulas above

- **constant(s): [g]**, 9.80665
Gravitational acceleration on Earth
- **Functions: log10**, log₁₀(Number)
The common logarithm, also known as the base-10 logarithm or the decimal logarithm, is a mathematical function that is the inverse of the exponential function.
- **Functions: sqrt**, sqrt(Number)
A square root function is a function that takes a non-negative number as an input and returns the square root of the given input number.
- **Measurement: Length** in Meter (m), Millimeter (mm)
Length Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Pressure** in Pascal (Pa)
Pressure Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Speed** in Meter per Second (m/s)
Speed Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Kinematic Viscosity** in Stokes (St)
Kinematic Viscosity Unit Conversion 
- **Measurement: Specific Weight** in Kilonewton per Cubic Meter (kN/m³)
Specific Weight Unit Conversion 



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