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SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDING AND CIVIL ENGINEERING

SECOND YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

ECV 302: HYDRAULICS I

DATE: 29/8/2017

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

This paper contains **Four** questions attempt *question One and any other Two*

1. a) Define the following terms as used in open channel hydraulics
 - i. Uniform flow (2 marks)
 - ii. Unsteady varied flow (2 marks)
 - iii. Critical depth (2 marks)
 - iv. Hydraulic radius (2 marks)
 - v. Wetted perimeter (2 marks)
- b) Enumerate the practical application of hydraulic jump in open hydraulics (7 marks)
- c) Water is to flow at a rate 30 m³/s in a concrete channel shown in Figure 1C. Find the required vertical drop of the channel bottom per a kilometre of length. (13 marks)

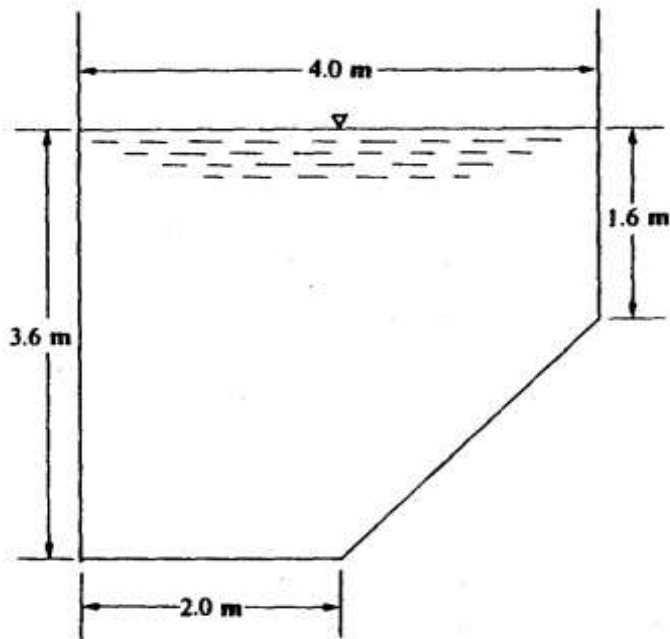


Figure 1b

- d) Water flows in rectangular, concrete, open channel that is 12.0 m wide a depth of 2.5 m. The slope is 0.0028. Find the water velocity, flow rate and Reynolds number. Take $n = 0.015$ (10 marks)
2.
 - a) Describe specific energy and specific force (5 marks)
 - b) A trapezoidal canal with side slopes 2:1 has a bottom width of 4 m and carries a flow 23 m³/s. Calculate the critical depth. (10 marks)
3.
 - a) What do you understand by most efficient channel section (5 marks)
 - b) Find the discharge in Figure 3b, if the slope is 0.00015 and Manning's n is 0.02. (10 marks)

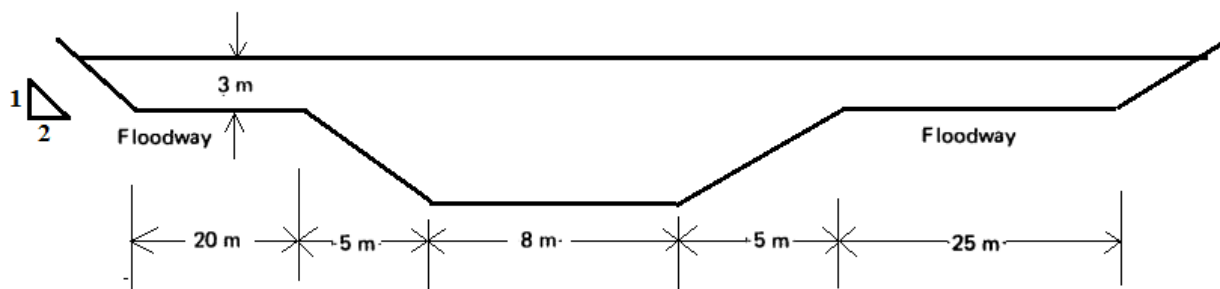


Figure 3b: Channel cross sectional

4. a) Differentiate between sub-critical flow and super-critical flow in open flow hydraulics (5 marks)
- b) A wide rectangular depth excavated from the earth has a discharge of 5 m³/s per m. Determine the minimum specific energy. (10 marks)
5. a) Highlight the two parameters that must be ascertained before determining flow profiles (5 marks)
- b) For a rectangular channel of width 20 m, determine the critical bed slope and discharge for critical depths of 0.20, 0.60, and 1.6 m. Assume $n = 0.035$. (10 marks)