

**Free Surface Flow**  
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**Lecture 5**

Welcome students to yet another session. This is the fifth lecture of our module one that is introduction to basic concept. In next 30 minutes or maybe even an hour, we will try to solve some of the basic problems that are relating to the introduction of the basic concepts. Basic concepts are mostly from our course hydraulics and fluid mechanics.

So, all right. So, we will go to start the first problem right away. So, the first problem is the question is the velocity distribution in a rectangular channel of width  $B$ . So, the rectangular channel has a width  $B$  and depth of flow  $y_0$  was approximated as  $v$  is a function of depth and here  $k_1$  is a constant.

We need to calculate the average velocity. So, this is something that is very very important when we come to fluid flow. We will calculate the average velocity for the cross section and also correction coefficient alpha and beta.

So, this is our problem very simple and the way we approach this problem will be you know I will start writing you know. So, we are given the width is  $B$  and depth is flow is depth of the flow is  $y_0$  So, first thing area of cross section option  $A$  will be very simple, it is a rectangular channel. So, it will be  $By_0$  and from we know that how the formula for average velocity in general

$dv$  is  $\frac{1}{By_0} \int_0^{y_0} v(Bdy)$ . and which is so  $1/y_0$ ,  $B$  and  $B$  gets cancelled, 0 to  $y_0$ ,  $K_1$  we write  $v$

as  $\frac{1}{y_0} \int_0^{y_0} k_1 \sqrt{y} dy$  that becomes  $y dy$ . and if we integrate this we get  $\frac{2}{3} K_1 \sqrt{y_0}$ . This is the

average velocity, very simple to calculate and the key step here is this formula. Now, we also need to find the kinetic energy correction factor alpha and momentum correction factor that is beta.

So, we will go to the next slide. kinetic energy correlation factor. So, alpha is, it is a

$$\text{formula, } \alpha = \frac{\int_0^{y_o} V^3 (Bdy)}{V^3 B y_o} .$$

And then we will substitute the value of velocity and velocity  $V$  is  $K_1 \sqrt{y_o}$  . So, this will

$$\text{become } = \frac{\int_0^{y_o} K_1^3 y^{3/2} B dy}{\left(\frac{2}{3} K_1 \sqrt{y_o}\right)^3 B y_o} , \text{ this is velocity. cube, this is capital } V, \text{ which we found out in}$$

the previous slide,  $B y_o$ . And if you solve this, so  $y^3$  when you integrate this and you try to solve this, you are going to get a value of 1.35. If you remember, in the lectures, we told that this value will always be greater than 1.

The higher the non-uniformity, the higher the value of alpha and beta. Similarly, we will

$$\text{try to some correction factor which is beta The formula of beta is } = \frac{\int_0^{y_o} V^2 (Bdy)}{V^2 B y_o} \text{ note the}$$

difference in kinetic energy it is cubic. So, I think this got yeah.

So, and in the momentum it is  $V^2$  and this capital  $V$  is nothing but the one that we found

$$\text{out in the previous slide. } = \frac{\int_0^{y_o} K_1^2 y B dy}{\left(\frac{2}{3} K_1 \sqrt{y_o}\right)^2 B y_o} . \text{ And if you solve this, you are going to get}$$

a value of 1.125. And it is also again important to note that this value is greater than 1.

So, in for the ideal cases uniform flow these correction factor and with 0 slope these correction factors are exactly equal to 1. So, we solve another problem. So, first for this particular problem, we will see there is a diagram first. So, this is the sea bed, this is the river bed or the bed. And this is this distance is given as capital  $D$ . And then we have you know the.

So, this is  $u$   $u$   $u$  and so let us say this is  $y$  and this distance is this is  $aD$ . So, this is called the velocity distribution. This velocity distribution is given to us. Now, the question is this is the for this velocity this particular velocity distribution we have to determine the kinetic energy kinetic correction factor  $\alpha$  and momentum correction factor  $\beta$  for this profile ok.

So, this is the question all right. So, the way that we do is, so I will start doing the solution from here. So, from this figure, we can see that velocity, this velocity into depth is  $u \times (1 - a \times D)$ . So, this is the key step. to write it down in this particular way. And then again it is just simple this is application of the formula and see now you see the this starting point is no longer 0.

$$\int_0^D u^3 dy$$

It is at  $a \times D$  and it goes up to depth  $D$  and  $\frac{aD}{V^3 D}$  or if we substitute this  $u$ . So, if using

this particular formula we substitute  $u$  into the  $\alpha$  then we get  $\frac{u^3(D-aD)}{u^3(1-a)^3 D} = \frac{1}{(1-a)^2}$ .

This is kinetic energy correction factor. Again, for  $\beta$  same thing, same formula starting

$$\int_0^D u^2 dy$$

from  $aD$  to  $D$ ,  $\frac{aD}{V^2 D}$ . And if you substitute the value of  $V$  in terms of a small  $u$  and

integrate you get  $\frac{u^2(D-aD)}{u^2(1-a)^2 D} = \frac{1}{(1-a)}$ . So, this is momentum correction. Now, you see

this a whatever small value will it have both the denominator will be less than 1. Therefore, this particular quantity will be greater than 1 and same is for  $\alpha$  as well. So, next problem.

The width of a horizontal rectangular channel. It is important to note as see there are many steps or many things observations then you will understand while reading the question. So, first clue here what I mean whatever whatever, I have written you see it is a horizontal rectangular channel. Horizontal means there is no bed slope, rectangular means it is a rectangular cross section is determined. So, it says the width of the horizontal rectangular channel is reduced.

From 3.5 meter to 2.5 meter and the floor is raised by 0.25 meter in in elevation at a given section at the upstream section the depth of flow is 2 meter. So, basically they have given  $y_1$  alright and the value of alpha also is given 1.15 ok. Now, it says if, the drop in water surface see when the width of the horizontal rectangular channel is reduced that means it will have a contraction right and the drop in the water surface elevation at the contraction is 0.2 meter right. It says calculate the discharge for following cases. What are the following cases?

First case is the energy loss is neglected. Second case is the energy loss is 10 percent of the upstream velocity head. So, one assumption that can be taken is that alpha can be taken as uniformly 1.15 everywhere.

So, this is the entire question. So, what should be the first step? So, the first step should be to draw the diagram of this particular question that will ease our problem. So, we will start I mean you can even I mean so what it means the first thing see there is something like this and then there is a contraction right something like this and this one is 3.51 that is  $B_1$  and this one  $B_2$  is 2.5.

This is the first line that we have drawn and the second thing is we are going to draw a bed. and this is the water this is the line for the water this is the entire thing is 2 meter 2 meter and we this is  $y_2$  right and this drop is 0.2 m right this is what it says. So, this will ease our problem a lot right and this is a step hold on. right. So, this is actually  $y_2$  and this is 0.25 m yeah and this is the energy lines right.

So, this is something that we have taken clue from the question and this is just a rough diagram you can make a better diagram right. So, if we refer to this particular figure right and even from the question some things are very clear  $y_1$  is 2.0 meter all right and you see from this geometrical what will be  $y_2$ ?  $y_2$  is going to be  $2 - 0.25 - 0.2$  meter that is that equals to 1.55 meter. And in these cases, we will simply apply equation of continuity.

Continuity equation is  $B_1 y_1 V_1$  is equal to  $A_1 V_1$  is equal to  $A_2 V_2$ . So, instead of  $A_1 V_1$ , I am writing  $B_1 y_1$ ,  $B_2 y_2 V_2$ . So, let me write down  $A_1 V_1$  is equal to  $A_2 V_2$ . So, it is much more clear to you.

Therefore, by equation of continuity  $V_1$  will be  $= \frac{2.5 \times 1.55}{3.5 \times 2.0} V_2 = 0.5536 V_2$ . This is  $V_1$  in terms of  $V_2$ . This is general thing irrespective of our conditions. Now, what we are going to do, we are going to solve it for our first case, no energy loss. So, in that case, no energy loss, so we apply energy equation that is the Bernoulli's

Between where section 1. and section 2 just after the contraction. So, general equation is

$$z_1 + y_1 + \alpha_1 \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = (z_1 + \Delta z) + y_2 + \alpha_2 \frac{V_2^2}{2g}, \quad z_1 + \Delta z \text{ because our datum is at the bottom. here}$$

we already know  $\alpha_1$  is 1.15 and  $\alpha_2$  is I mean you can take 1.15 actually but we can I mean I am just assuming 1.0 just the values will change. So, that does not make a much of a difference all right.

So, this problem is continued.  $\frac{V_2^2 - 1.15 V_1^2}{2g} = y_1 - y_2 - \Delta z$  or we say we substitute  $V_1$  in

terms of  $V_2$ ,  $\frac{V_2^2}{2g} [1 - 1.15(0.5536^2)] = 2 - 1.55 - 0.25$ . Or if you simplify this, we get  $V_2$  is

equal to 2.462 meters per second. And therefore,

discharge  $Q$  is  $2.5 \times 1.55 \times 2.462$  that is  $9.54 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and this was the desired quantity that we needed to find out. This was when there was no energy loss. Now, there is an energy loss that the part B is energy loss is 10% of the velocity. So, first thing we need to calculate head loss that is 0.1 of that what is this  $\alpha_1 \frac{V_1^2}{2g}$  and this is the energy loss

$$0.115 \frac{V_1^2}{2g}.$$

So, we said that the loss is 10 percent and we apply the same equation. So, let me for

your convenience, let me write down  $z_1 + y_1 + \alpha_1 \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = (z_1 + \Delta z) + y_2 + \alpha_2 \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + H_L$  this

term is important right for the conservation. So, now this is continued.

So, what we can write down is  $\alpha_2 \frac{V_2^2}{2g} - \alpha_1 \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + H_L = y_1 - y_2 - \Delta z$ . And if we substitute

the value of alpha 2 is equal to 1, alpha 1 we can take 1.15 as well, but does not matter whatever see the values will just change. And head loss we have already found out 0.115 because it is 10 percent of So, if we substitute this in the above equation, we are going to

find out  $\frac{V_2^2}{2g} - 1.15 \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + 0.115 \frac{V_1^2}{2g} = 2 - 1.55 - 0.25$ . And, since we know since you know

from our previous slide before just starting we using the continuity equation we already found out this  $V_1$  was  $0.5536V_2$ , we substitute this and what we get is

$\frac{V_2^2}{2g} (1 - 0.9 \times 1.15 \times 0.5536^2) = 0.2$ . And if we solve this, we get  $V_2$  is equal to 2.397 m/s.

And, discharge will again be  $A_1V_1$  is equal to  $A_2V_2$  or just simply  $2.5 \times 1.55 \times 2.397 = 9.289 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ . So, this is the discharge in the resulting case.

So, if you see in the first one, we had a discharge of  $9.54 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and in the second case where we have energy loss, we have  $9.29 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and this is answer to our second part of the problem So, I thank you all and in the next lecture we will also solve some problems before we close this module. Thank you so much.