

Solution: (a) Assume no pressure drop and neglect velocity heads. The energy equation reduces to:

$$\frac{p_1}{\rho g} + \frac{V_1^2}{2g} + z_1 = 0 + 0 + (L + l) = \frac{p_2}{\rho g} + \frac{V_2^2}{2g} + z_2 + h_f = 0 + 0 + 0 + h_f, \quad \text{or: } h_f \approx L + l$$

$$\text{For laminar flow, } h_f = \frac{128\mu LQ}{\pi\rho g d^4} \quad \text{and, for uniform draining, } Q = \frac{v}{\Delta t}$$

$$\text{Solve for } \Delta t = \frac{128\mu Lv}{\pi\rho g d^4 (L + l)} \quad \text{Ans. (a)}$$

(b) Apply to $\Delta t = 6$ s. For water, take $\rho = 998 \text{ kg/m}^3$ and $\mu = 0.001 \text{ kg/m}\cdot\text{s}$. Formula (a) predicts:

$$\Delta t = 6 \text{ s} = \frac{128(0.001 \text{ kg/m}\cdot\text{s})(0.12 \text{ m})(8E-6 \text{ m}^3)}{\pi(998 \text{ kg/m}^3)(9.81 \text{ m/s}^2)d^4(0.12 + 0.02 \text{ m})}$$

$$\text{Solve for } d \approx 0.0015 \text{ m} \quad \text{Ans. (b)}$$

6.18 To determine the viscosity of a liquid of specific gravity 0.95, you fill, to a depth of 12 cm, a large container which drains through a 30-cm-long vertical tube attached to the bottom. The tube diameter is 2 mm, and the rate of draining is found to be $1.9 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$. What is your estimate of the fluid viscosity? Is the tube flow laminar?

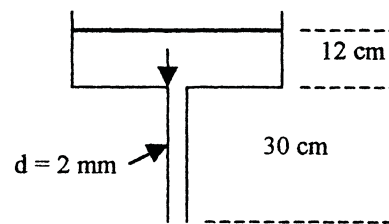


Fig. P6.18

Solution: The known flow rate and diameter enable us to find the velocity in the tube:

$$V = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{1.9E-6 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}}{(\pi/4)(0.002 \text{ m})^2} = 0.605 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

Evaluate $\rho_{\text{liquid}} = 0.95(998) = 948 \text{ kg/m}^3$. Write the energy equation between the top surface and the tube exit:

$$\frac{p_a}{\rho g} + \frac{V_{\text{top}}^2}{2g} + z_{\text{top}} = \frac{p_a}{\rho g} + \frac{V^2}{2g} + 0 + h_f,$$

$$\text{or: } 0.42 = \frac{V^2}{2g} + \frac{32\mu LV}{\rho g d^4} = \frac{(0.605)^2}{2(9.81)} + \frac{32\mu(0.3)(0.605)}{948(9.81)(0.002)^4}$$