

The value of xcrit decreases by half (to 1.07 meters) at $\zeta \approx 0.42\%$. Ans.

6.4 For flow of SAE 30 oil through a 5-cm-diameter pipe, from Fig. A.1, for what flow rate in m^3/h would we expect transition to turbulence at (a) 20°C and (b) 100°C?

Solution: For SAE 30 oil take $\rho = 891 \text{ kg/m}^3$ and take $\mu = 0.29 \text{ kg/m} \cdot \text{s}$ at 20°C (Table A.3) and 0.01 kg/m-s at 100°C (Fig A.1). Write the critical Reynolds number in terms of flow rate Q:

(a)
$$\operatorname{Re}_{crit} = 2300 = \frac{\rho VD}{\mu} = \frac{4\rho Q}{\pi \mu D} = \frac{4(891 \ kg/m^3)Q}{\pi (0.29 \ kg/m \cdot s)(0.05 \ m)},$$

solve $Q = 0.0293 \ \frac{m^3}{s} = 106 \ \frac{m^3}{h}$ Ans. (a)
(b) $\operatorname{Re}_{crit} = 2300 = \frac{\rho VD}{\mu} = \frac{4\rho Q}{\pi \mu D} = \frac{4(891 \ kg/m^3)Q}{\pi (0.010 \ kg/m \cdot s)(0.05 \ m)},$
solve $Q = 0.00101 \ \frac{m^3}{s} = 3.6 \ \frac{m^3}{h}$ Ans. (b)