

Reynolds number

Engineering Fluid Mechanics

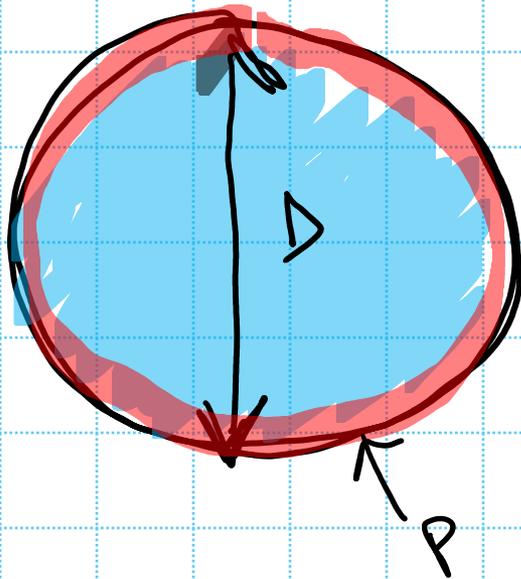
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$$Re = \frac{\text{INERTIAL FORCES}}{\text{VISCOUS FORCES}} = \frac{\rho V L^D}{\mu} = \frac{V L^D}{\nu}$$



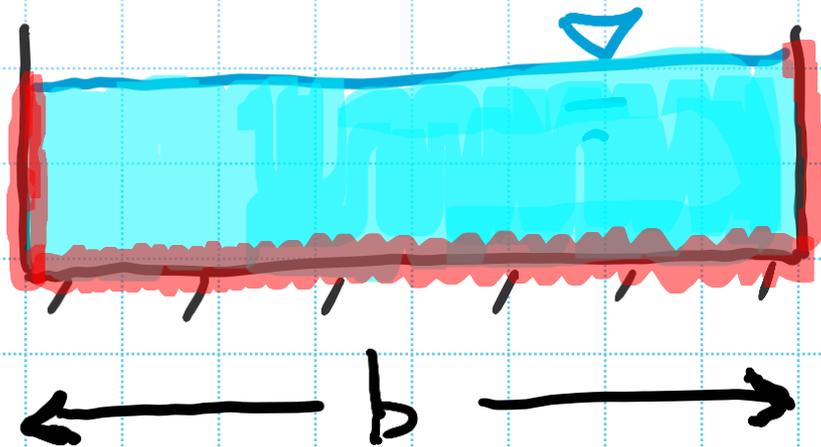
$$D_H = \frac{4A}{P} = \frac{4(\cancel{\pi} D^2)}{4\cancel{\pi} D} = D$$

↑ HYDRAULIC DIAMETER ↑ WETTED PERIMETER

2300 < Re → LAMINAR



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HYDRAULIC
DIAMETER

$$D_H = \frac{4 \cdot A}{P} = \frac{4(b \cdot y)}{2y + b}$$

$$A = b \cdot y \quad P = 2y + b$$

$$R = \frac{A}{P} = \frac{b \cdot y}{2y + b}$$

↑
HYDRAULIC
RADIUS

$$D_H = 4 \cdot R$$

IN FREE SURFACE FLOW
 $Re < 500 \rightarrow$ LAMINAR

IN INTERNAL FLOW
 $Re < 2300 \rightarrow$ LAMINAR

Reynolds number of free surface flow



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