

**ta3220 Re-Examination**  
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Write your solutions *on your answer sheet*, not here. In all cases **show your work**.

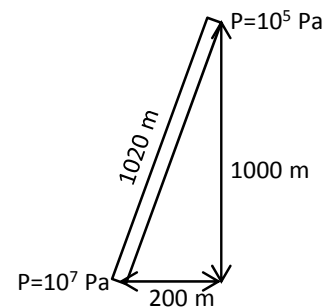
**To avoid any possible confusion,**  
**state the equation numbers and figure numbers of equations and figures you use.**  
 Beware of unnecessary information in the problem statement.

1. A common way to measure the rheology of fluids is to measure shear stress in a Fann viscometer at 600 and 300 rev/min. A unit of "rev/min" (revolution/minute) is proportional to  $(-dv_x/dy)$ . Suppose for a given drilling fluid one measures the following data:

<u>rev/min, proportional to <math>(-dv_x/dy)</math></u>	<u>shear stress <math>\tau_{yx}</math>, Pa</u>
600	50
300	40

Don't worry about converting from "rev/min" to units of  $s^{-1}$ ; you don't need to do so for this problem.

- a. If this fluid were a Bingham plastic, what would be the value of yield stress  $\tau_o$ ?
  - b. If this fluid were a power-law fluid, what would be the value of the exponent  $n$ ?
- (15 pts)
2. A fluid flows in highly turbulent flow through a slit of width  $D_o$ . The potential gradient driving the flow is  $(\Delta\mathcal{P}/L)_o$ . Suppose the flow rate  $Q$  ( $m^3/s$ ) is held fixed as the gap width of the slit is doubled to  $D_1=2D_o$ . What is the new potential gradient  $(\Delta\mathcal{P}/L)_1$  for the slit in terms of the original potential gradient  $(\Delta\mathcal{P}/L)_o$ ? For simplicity, assume the roughness factor does not change as the gap width changes.
- (10 pts)
3. A fluid flows in highly turbulent flow through a slit of width  $D_o$ . The heat-transfer coefficient between the liquid and the slit walls is  $h_o$ . Suppose the flow rate  $Q$  ( $m^3/s$ ) is held fixed as the gap width of the slit is doubled to  $D_1=2D_o$ . What is the new heat-transfer coefficient  $h_1$  in terms of  $h_o$ ?
- (10 pts)
4. A well is drilled into an oil field at an angle to the vertical as shown below. The oil at the bottom of the well is at a pressure of  $10^7$  Pa and pressure at the top of the well is 1 atmosphere ( $\sim 10^5$  Pa). The oil has density  $850$   $kg/m^3$  and viscosity  $0.01$  Pa s (10 cp). What is the gradient of flow potential  $(\Delta\mathcal{P}/L)$  driving flow up the well?
- (10 pts)



5. A narrow metal cylinder of radius  $R$  and length  $L$  has thermal conductivity  $k$ , density  $\rho$ , and heat capacity  $C_p$ . It is maintained at  $T_0$  on the flat surface on one end ( $z = L$ ). The flat surface on the opposite end is perfectly insulated. Along its length, the cylinder is in contact with fluid at temperature  $T_1$ ; the heat-transfer coefficient along the radial surface is  $h$ . The cylinder is so thin that difference in temperature in the radial direction can be assumed to be negligible; in other words,  $T$  varies with  $z$  within the cylinder but not with  $r$ .
- Starting with a shell balance, derive a second-order ordinary differential equation for steady-state temperature  $T$  as a function of  $z$  for this problem.
  - State two boundary conditions on  $T$  for this problem.
- (20 pts)
6. An electrically heated pot maintains water inside at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ . The surroundings are at  $20^\circ\text{C}$ . The pot is cylindrical, 10 cm in diameter and 10 cm tall. About 1 minute out of every 15 minutes the heater comes on (power = 650 W) to make up for heat loss from the pot.
- What is the average rate of heat input needed to maintain the water at  $60^\circ\text{C}$ ?
  - Assuming that the only heat transfer is through the walls, estimate the overall heat-transfer coefficient  $U_o$  (in  $\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{K}$ ) for the surfaces of the pot.
  - In reality, there are other processes going on; most important is evaporation of water from the pot. Therefore, is the estimate you give in part (b) likely to be larger or smaller than the true value of  $U_o$  for the surfaces of the pot? Briefly justify your answer.
- (20 pts)
7. A solid cube of aluminum, 0.1 m on a side, is perfectly insulated on three surfaces: top, bottom and back. The solid is initially at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . On the three other surfaces (front, left and right), starting at time  $t=0$ , the temperature is suddenly raised to, and maintained at,  $100^\circ\text{C}$ . What is the temperature at the coldest spot in the cube after 10 seconds?
- (15 pts)

$$\rho = 2700 \text{ kg}/\text{m}^3 \quad \begin{array}{c} \text{Properties of aluminum} \\ k = 230 \text{ W}/(\text{m K}) \end{array} \quad C_p = 938 \text{ J}/(\text{kg K})$$