

Friction-factor problems, part 1

1. There is no flow if $T_0 \geq \frac{4\gamma \sqrt{2K}}{\phi}$. Here $\gamma_0 = 100 \text{ dyne/cm}^2 = 10 \text{ Pa}$.
 $\Delta P = 500 \text{ psi} = 3.45 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Pa}$.
 $100 \geq \frac{3.45 \cdot 10^6}{L} \sqrt{\frac{2(0.1 \cdot 10^{-18})}{0.2}} \Rightarrow L \geq 0.345 \text{ m} \text{ (34.5 cm or } \sim 13 \frac{1}{2} \text{ in.)}$

Flow stops as depth of penetration approaches 0.345 m.

2. From lecture notes, for PL fluid, $\mu_{\text{eff}} \propto u^{n-1} = u^{-0.4}$ here.
 We have datum that $\mu_{\text{eff}} = 30 \text{ cp} (0.03 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s})$ at $u = 1 \text{ ft/day} (3.53 \cdot 10^{-6} \text{ m/s})$
 (Actually, converting units is kind of pointless here, because $\mu_{\text{eff}} + u$ will appear only in ratios; units cancel out). Therefore

$$\mu_{\text{eff}} = 1.98 \cdot 10^{-4} u^{0.4}, \text{ with } \mu_{\text{eff}} \text{ in Pa}\cdot\text{s and } u \text{ in m/s.}$$

$$\text{(or } \mu_{\text{eff}} = 30 u^{-0.4}, \text{ w/ } u \text{ in ft/day and } \mu_{\text{eff}} \text{ in cp.)}$$

$$\text{Note } Q = 800 \text{ bbl/d} = 800 (42 \text{ gal/bbl}) (1/264.2 \text{ m}^3/\text{gal}) = 127 \text{ m}^3/\text{d} = 0.00147 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

- a) At 1 ft radius, $u = Q/A = Q/(2\pi RL) = 0.00147 / [2\pi (0.3048) (60 \cdot 0.3048)]$
 $u = 4.2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m/s}$ (really, $4.2 \cdot 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{m}^2/\text{s}$) (11.9 ft/day)
 At $r = 50 \text{ ft}$, u is (1/50) of this value: $8.41 \cdot 10^{-7} \text{ m/s}$

- b) At $r = 1$, $\mu_{\text{eff}} = 1.98 \cdot 10^{-4} u^{-0.4} = 1.98 \cdot 10^{-4} (4.2 \cdot 10^{-5})^{-0.4} = 0.011 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s} (11.1 \text{ cp})$
 At $r = 50$, $\mu_{\text{eff}} = 1.98 \cdot 10^{-4} (8.41 \cdot 10^{-7})^{-0.4} = 0.0532 \text{ Pa}\cdot\text{s}$ or 53.2 cp

3. For laminar Newtonian flow, $Q \sim R^4$. A 2x reduction in $R \rightarrow$ a 16x reduction in Q . $Q_2 = Q_1/16$
 b) For laminar power-law flow, $Q \sim R^{(3+n)}$. For $n = 0.5$, $Q \sim R^{3.5}$. A 2x reduction in $R \rightarrow$ a 32x reduction in Q . $Q_2 = Q_1/32$.
 c) If f is constant, as in a rough pipe in highly turbulent flow, $[D/\langle v \rangle^2] = \text{constant}$ (BS Eq. 6.1-4), or $\langle v \rangle \sim \sqrt{D}$. $Q = (\pi R^2) \langle v \rangle \sim \pi R^2 \sqrt{R} \sim R^{2.5}$. A 2x reduction in $R \rightarrow$ 5.66x reduction in Q . $Q_2 = 0.177 Q_1$

$$Q = \langle v \rangle A; A = (200 \text{ ft}) \times (2b) = 121.9 b \text{ (in SI)}; Q = 0.188 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

4. $\therefore \langle v \rangle = 0.00154 / b$
 $Re = "D" v \rho / \mu$, with $"D" = 4Rh = 4b$; $Re = 4b (\frac{0.00154}{b}) (1037) / (0.001)$
 $\rightarrow Re = 6400$

Re is independent of b ! (This is a lucky break for us!) The reason is that, with Q fixed, $\langle v \rangle$ decreases as $"D" = 4b$ increases. The two effects just balance each other, leaving Re constant.

With $Re = 6400$, $K/D = 0.004$, Fig 6.2-2 indicates $f \approx 0.01$. Eq. 6.1-4:

$$f = \frac{1}{4} \frac{D}{L} \frac{\Delta P}{\frac{1}{2} \rho \langle v \rangle^2} = 0.01$$

$$D = 4b; L = 6 \text{ m} = 0.1524 \text{ m}$$

$$\rho = 1037 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

$$\langle v \rangle = 0.00148 / b$$

$$\Delta P = \rho g h; \rho = 1037; g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2; h = 10 \text{ ft} = 3.048 \text{ m}$$

$$f = 0.01 = \frac{1}{4} \frac{4b}{0.1524} \frac{(1037)(9.8)(3.048)}{(0.5)(1037)(0.00148/b)^2} = 5.37 \cdot 10^8 b^3$$

$$b = 2.65 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m} = 0.265 \text{ mm}; \text{ Gap width} = 0.53 \text{ mm.}$$

(It wouldn't take much of a slit to sink a ship!)

With this gap width, $A \approx 0.32 \text{ m}^2$, $\langle v \rangle = 5.82 \text{ m/s}$

In Perry + Chilton's chart, handed out in class, f could be as large as 0.0195.
 This gives $B = 3.82 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}$ ($2B = 0.76 \text{ mm}$) - not much different.

5. a) $\langle v \rangle = \frac{Q}{\pi R^2}$; $Q = 100 \text{ m}^3/\text{day} = 1.16 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$; $\langle v \rangle = \frac{1.16 \cdot 10^{-3}}{\pi (0.0254/2)^2} = 2.28 \text{ m/s}$
 $Re = D \langle v \rangle \rho / \mu = (0.0254)(2.28)(1000)/(0.001) = 5.8 \cdot 10^4$ ($\mu_{ep} = 0.001 \text{ Pa s}$; $\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$)
 $K/D = [(0.0254)/1000] / 0.0254 = 0.001$. For $K/D = 0.001$ and $Re = 5.8 \cdot 10^4$, $f \approx 0.006$ from Fig. 6.2-2 or friction-factor chart handed out in class. \square
 Eq. 6.1-4: $f = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Delta P}{\rho \langle v \rangle^2} \frac{D}{L} \rightarrow \Delta P = f \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \rho \langle v \rangle^2 \frac{4L}{D} = (0.006) \frac{1}{2} (1000)(2.28)^2 (4) \frac{(5000)(13)}{0.0254}$
 $\Delta P = 3.74 \cdot 10^6 \text{ Pa}$ ($\approx 540 \text{ psi}$) \square

b) The factor f (0.006) in Eq. \square above is replaced by $\frac{16}{Re} = 2.76 \cdot 10^{-4}$; $\rightarrow \Delta P = 1.72 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ ($\approx 25 \text{ psi}$). Turbulence increases ΔP by a factor of more than 20!
 (One could also solve for ΔP in laminar flow using Eq. 2.3-19.)

6. The momentum balance is the same as on BSL pp. 48 + 49 (flow through a circular tube), except that $\Delta P = 0$. (Thus $\Delta P = \Delta p + \rho g L = \rho g L$). Thus the analysis is unchanged up to Eq. 2.3-11: $T_{rz} = \frac{\Delta P}{2L} r + C_1/r$.

Note that, unlike BSL Sect 4.3 (flow in a tube), one cannot use the BC " T_{rz} not infinite at $r=0$," because $r=0$ is not with the system for this problem. (In this problem $R \leq r \leq R_2$).

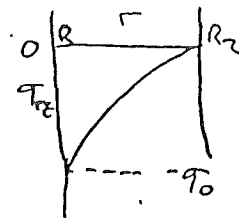
Instead, since at $r=R_2$ there is contact with air, there is BC

$$T_{rz} = 0 \text{ at } r = R_2$$

$$0 = \frac{\Delta P}{2L} R_2 + C_1/R_2 \rightarrow C_1 = -\frac{\Delta P}{2L} R_2^2$$

$$\text{and } T_{rz} = \frac{\Delta P}{2L} r - \frac{\Delta P}{2L} R_2^2/r = \frac{\Delta P}{2L} R_2 \left[r/R_2 - R_2/r \right] \quad \square$$

Note that this function is less than zero from $r=R$ to $r=R_2$ and = 0 at $r=R_2$ (as required by the BC). Therefore $T_{rz} < 0$, and the condition for shearing is $T_{rz} < -\tau_0$. Since T_{rz} is at a minimum at $r=R$, the condition for the onset of shearing is



$$T_{rz}|_{r=R} = \frac{\Delta P}{2L} R_2 \left[R/R_2 - R_2/R \right] = -\tau_0$$

(or, substituting ρg for ΔP ,

$$\frac{\rho g}{2} R_2 \left[R/R_2 - R_2/R \right] = -\tau_0$$

(One could solve this equation for R_2 by multiplying by R_2 + solving as a quadratic equation.) This is the condition on R_2 for the onset of flow.

The fact that $T_{rz} < 0$ in this problem reflects the fact that z momentum is transferred inward, in the negative r direction. The weight of the fluid imparts z momentum to the fluid, which is transported radially inward and leaves the system at the pipe wall.

Alternate derivation: one could ^{write} eq. I above as

$$\tau_{rz} = \frac{\Delta P}{2L} r \left[1 - \left(\frac{R_2}{r} \right)^2 \right]$$

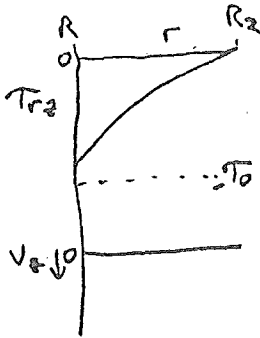
Then the condition for ^{the onset of} λ -shearing becomes

$$\tau_{rz}|_{r=R} = \frac{\Delta P R}{2L} \left[1 - \left(\frac{R_2}{R} \right)^2 \right] = -\tau_0$$

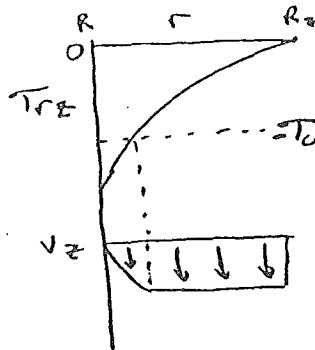
$$-\frac{2L\tau_0}{\Delta P R} = 1 - \left(\frac{R_2}{R} \right)^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \left(\frac{R_2}{R} \right)^2 = 1 + \frac{2L\tau_0}{\Delta P R} \Rightarrow \frac{R_2}{R} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{2L\tau_0}{\Delta P R}}$$

$$\text{or } R_2 = R \sqrt{1 + (2L\tau_0)/(\Delta P R)} \quad \text{or } R_2 = R \sqrt{1 + (2\tau_0)/(\rho g R)}$$

for $R_2 < R \sqrt{1 + 2\tau_0/\rho g R}$



$R_2 > R \sqrt{1 + 2\tau_0/\rho g R}$



friction-factor problems, part 2

Problem Set #1 by trial and error method

Given: $\rho = 1.0 \text{ gcm}^{-3} = 1000 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$
 $D = 1.0 \text{ mm} = 10^{-3} \text{ m}$
 $\mu = 0.001 \text{ Pa.s} = 0.001 \text{ kgm}^{-1}\text{s}^{-1}$
 $\rho_o = 0.95 \text{ gcm}^{-3} = 950 \text{ kgm}^{-3} = \rho_s$
 $V_\infty = ?$

The oil droplet is treated as a solid settling in a liquid (water) because of its viscosity.

$$f = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD}{V_\infty^2} \left(\frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \right) \dots\dots\dots 1$$

$$\text{Re} = \frac{D\rho V_\infty}{\mu} \dots\dots\dots 2$$

Solution :

From equations 1 and 2 :

$$f = \frac{4 \cdot 9.81 \times 0.001}{3 V_\infty^2} \left(\frac{950 - 1000}{1000} \right) = \frac{-6.54 \times 10^{-4}}{V_\infty^2} \Rightarrow V_\infty = \sqrt{\frac{6.54 \times 10^{-4}}{f}}$$

The negative sign is dropped as the significance is a rising bubble.

$$\text{Re} = \frac{0.001 \times 1000 \times V_\infty}{0.001} = 1000 V_\infty$$

Guessing $V_\infty = 0.05 \text{ m/s}$ (arbitrary), therefore,

$$\text{Re} = 1000 \times 0.05 = 50 \text{ and } f \cong 1.4 \text{ (from chart) giving } V_\infty = \sqrt{6.54 \times 10^{-4} / 1.4} \cong 0.0216 \text{ m/s}$$

Recalculating a few times to get a convergent solution:

$$\text{Re} = 1000 \times 0.0216 = 21.6 \text{ and } f \cong 2.6 \text{ giving } V_\infty = \sqrt{6.54 \times 10^{-4} / 2.6} \cong 0.0159 \text{ m/s ;}$$

$$\text{Re} = 1000 \times 0.0159 = 15.9 \text{ and } f \cong 3.4 \text{ giving } V_\infty = \sqrt{6.54 \times 10^{-4} / 3.4} \cong 0.0139 \text{ m/s ;}$$

$$\text{Re} = 1000 \times 0.0136 = 13.9 \text{ and } f \cong 3.6 \text{ giving } V_\infty = \sqrt{6.54 \times 10^{-4} / 3.6} \cong 0.0135 \text{ m/s ;}$$

$$\text{Re} = 1000 \times 0.0135 = 13.5 \text{ and since } f \cong 3.6 \text{ (is same as above), } \underline{V_\infty \cong 0.0135 \text{ m/s}}$$

1) 10SL Eq. 6.1-7: $f = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD}{\nu^2} \left(\frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \right)$, or $v_a = \left[\frac{4}{3} \frac{gD}{\nu} \frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \right]^{1/2}$. Unfortunately, f depends on v_a , which is unknown.

Method 1: trial and error. Guess 1 value of v_a , read f from Fig 6.3-1, compute v_a using Eq III, guess again.

Method 2: guess which of 3 regions of Fig 6.3-1 final answer is in. Plug expression into Eq III, compute v_a , verify original guess of region was right, or go on to next region.

For instance: guess $Re \leq 1$. $f = 24/Re = 24\mu / (D v_a \rho)$

$$III \rightarrow v_a^2 = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD}{\nu} \frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \rightarrow v_a = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD^2}{24\mu} (\rho_s - \rho) = 2 \frac{D^2}{4} (\rho_s - \rho) g / (9\mu)$$

[This is, of course, same as "creeping flow" eq., 2.6-17, which applies for low Re .]

$$v_a = 2 \frac{(0.001)^2 (950-1000)(9.8)}{4(9)(0.001)} = 0.027 \text{ m/s} \quad (\text{minus sign means particle settles upwards instead of down.})$$

Check $Re = \frac{(0.001)(0.027)(1000)}{0.001} = 27 > 1$ violates initial assumption. Guess again.

Guess $Re > 1$ and $Re \leq 1000$. $f \approx 18.5 / Re^{1.5}$.

$$III \rightarrow v_a^2 = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD}{18.5} \left(\frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\mu} \right)^{1.5} \frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \rightarrow v_a^{1.4} = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD^{1.4}}{18.5} \frac{1}{\mu^{0.6}} \frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho^{0.4}}$$

$$v_a^{1.4} = \left[\frac{4(9.8)(0.001)^{1.4}}{(18.5)} \frac{1}{(0.001)^{0.6}} \frac{(1000)^{1.4}}{(1000)^{0.4}} \right] \quad v_a = (0.00223)^{1/1.4} = 0.0127 \text{ m/s}$$

we drop the minus sign before taking the $1/1.4$ power, noting that v_a is upwards

check $Re = \frac{(0.001)(0.0127)(1000)}{0.001} = 12.7, < 1000$ and > 1 . Assumption verified.

Method 3: similar to Example 6.3-1. on p. 183. Although f and Re both depend on v_a , $f Re^2$ does not. $f Re^2 = \left[\frac{4}{3} \frac{gD}{\nu} \frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \right] \left[\frac{D^2 v_a^2 \rho^2}{\mu^2} \right] = \frac{4}{3} \frac{gD^3 \rho (\rho_s - \rho)}{\mu^2} = \frac{4(9.8)(0.001)^3 (1000)(-50)}{(0.001)^2}$

$f Re^2 = 653$ Again we drop minus sign after noting that particles settle upwards.

$\therefore f = 653 / Re^2$. This expression has a slope of (-2) on Figure 6.3-1 and passes through $f = 653, Re = 1$. The intersection of this line with $f(Re)$ gives $Re \approx 15 \rightarrow 15 = \frac{(0.001) v_a (1000)}{0.001} \rightarrow v_a = 0.015 \text{ m/s}$. (see Fig. on next p.)

Roughly the same answer as by method 2. See figure, next p.

2. Don't know D , so don't know Re .

$$Re = D v \rho / \mu \propto D \quad Re = \frac{(0.01)(1000)}{0.001} D = 10^4 D$$

$$f = \frac{4}{3} \left[\frac{gD}{\nu} \right] \frac{\rho_s - \rho}{\rho} \propto D \quad (Eq. 6.1-7) \quad f = \left[\frac{4}{3} \frac{9.8}{(0.01)^2} \frac{(100-1000)}{1000} \right]^{-1} D = 13,067 D$$

(neg sign just means sphere rises.)

trial + error. Guess $D = 0.01$. $Re = 100$. Fig 6.3-1 $\rightarrow f = 1.1$; $1.1 = 13,067 D \rightarrow D = 8.4 \cdot 10^{-5}$

$$D = 8.4 \cdot 10^{-5} \rightarrow Re = 0.84 \rightarrow f \approx 30 \rightarrow D = 2.3 \cdot 10^{-3}$$

$$2.30 \cdot 10^{-3} \rightarrow Re = 23 \rightarrow f \approx 2.5 \rightarrow D = 1.9 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$1.9 \cdot 10^{-4} \rightarrow Re = 1.9 \rightarrow f \approx 16 \rightarrow D = 0.00122$$

$$0.00122 \rightarrow Re = 12.2 \rightarrow f \approx 4 \rightarrow D = 3.06 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$3.06 \cdot 10^{-4} \rightarrow Re = 3.06 \rightarrow f \approx 11 \rightarrow D = 8.42 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

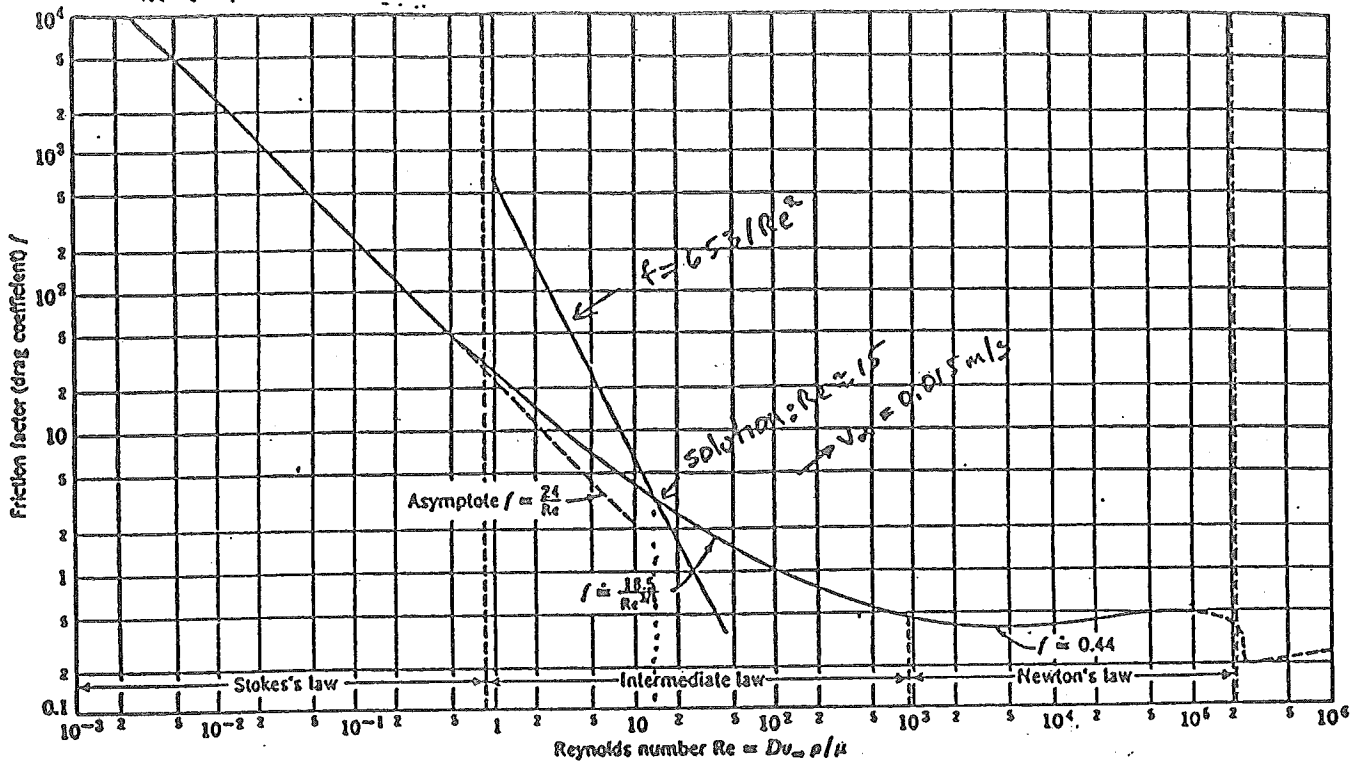
$$\rightarrow Re = 8.42 \rightarrow f \approx 5.5 \rightarrow D = 6.96 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$\rightarrow Re = 6.96 \rightarrow f \approx 6.2 \rightarrow 4.74 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$4.7 \rightarrow 7.5 \rightarrow 5.74 \cdot 10^{-4}$$

$$Re = 5.7 \rightarrow f \approx 7 \rightarrow D \approx 5.35 \cdot 10^{-4} \quad \text{converging on } \approx 5.5 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

Figure for Problem 1:



3. a) Eq. 6.4-9 applies at low Re: $v_0 = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{\Delta P}{L} \frac{D_p^2}{150\mu} \frac{\epsilon^3}{(1-\epsilon)^2}$. Darcy's law: $\frac{Q}{A} = \frac{\rho P}{L} \frac{K}{\mu}$
 $\rightarrow K = \frac{D_p^2}{150} \frac{\epsilon^3}{(1-\epsilon)^2}$. For this case, $K = \left[\frac{(0.6 \cdot 10^{-3})^2}{150} \right] \left[\frac{(0.5)^3}{(0.7)^2} \right] = 1.32 \cdot 10^{-10} \text{ m}^2$
 (about 130 Darcy).

b) Eq. 6.4-12 applies at all Re:

$$\frac{\Delta P}{L} = \frac{150\mu v_0}{D_p^2} \frac{(1-\epsilon)^2}{\epsilon^3} + 1.75 \frac{\rho v_0^2}{D_p} \frac{(1-\epsilon)}{\epsilon^3}$$

$$\frac{\Delta P}{L} = 10 \text{ psi/ft} = 2.26 \cdot 10^5 \text{ Pa/m} \quad \mu = 1 \text{ cp} = 0.001 \text{ Pa s} \quad \epsilon = 0.3$$

$$\rho = 1 \text{ g/cm}^3 = 1000 \text{ Kg/m}^3 \quad D_p = 0.6 \text{ mm} = 6 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

$$(2.26 \cdot 10^5) = \frac{(150)(0.001)v_0}{(6 \cdot 10^{-4})^2} \frac{(0.7)^2}{(0.3)^3} + (1.75) \frac{(1000)v_0^2}{(6 \cdot 10^{-4})} \frac{0.7}{(0.3)^3}$$

$$0 = 7.5617 \cdot 10^7 v_0^2 + 7.5617 \cdot 10^6 v_0 - 2.26 \cdot 10^5$$

$$v_0 = \frac{-7.5617 \cdot 10^6 \pm \sqrt{(7.5617 \cdot 10^6)^2 + 4(7.5617 \cdot 10^7)(2.26 \cdot 10^5)}}{2(7.5617 \cdot 10^7)} = \frac{-7.562 \cdot 10^6 \pm 1.1204 \cdot 10^7}{2(7.5617 \cdot 10^7)}$$

positive root applies: $v_0 = 0.0296 \text{ m/s} = Q/A$

If fracture is 60 ft (18.27 m) high and 1/8 in ($3.175 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ m}$) wide, its cross-section area is 0.0581 m^2 .

$$\therefore Q = A(Q/A) = (0.0581)(0.0296) = 0.00172 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

(this is about 149 m³/day, or 935 bbl/day.)

Alternate methods of solution: a) trial and error, using Fig 6.4-1. b) One could guess $Re < 10$ and use Eq. 6.4-9, or $Re > 1000$, and Eq. 6.4-12. In this case final result has $Re = (D_p \rho v_0 / \mu)(1/(1-\epsilon)) = (6 \cdot 10^{-4})(1000)(0.00721) / [(0.001)(0.3)] = 14.4$; a little too large for $Re < 10$. c) One could derive a graphical method like Examples 6.2-2 and 6.3-1.